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It's hard to believe, but here's the book! Four years since my last one. Seems like I get these published once every four years. Guess it's like the Olympics. Will it be another four more years before my next book? (I'm joking.) Hope you'll enjoy this book.

BRRRT
BRRRT
"Head trip. Keep to turn a trick to the flow. ♪♫
SHE SAYS BUSINESS IS BOOMING...
YEAH...
IN OUR LINE OF WORK, WHEN THE SHIT HITS THE FAN...
...IT'S NOTHING SHORT OF A RAVAGING TYPHOON. YOU KNOW THAT.
PUFF

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ALL RIGHT. I'LL ASK YOU ONCE AGAIN, MR. JAPANESE.

THIS IS THE ONLY DISK YOU BROUGHT WITH YOU FROM ASAHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES, CORRECT?

THUDD

KA CHAK

AND YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO KEEP IT SAFE 'N SECURE 'TILL YOU PASS IT ON TO YOUR LOCAL BORNEO BRANCH HEAD...

THAT SOUND ABOUT RIGHT?

KC HI K

9mm SWORD cutlass

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M

THAT'S ALL I KNOW!!

Y...

YEAH!

I'VE ALREADY TOLD YOU EVERY-THING.

DUTCH...

WE CAN MAKE THIS MUCH EASIER. A SHOT OR TWO IN HIS KNEE-CAPS...

...WILL MAKE THIS LITTLE BIRD SING ALL WE WANT.

WHOO

NO NEED FOR THAT, REVY.

WE'VE ALREADY HEARD ALL WE NEED TO KNOW.

Chapter 0: Black Lagoon

THE SCOPE'S SHOWING SOMETHING HEADING STRAIGHT FOR US FROM SUBIC BAY.

HOW MUCH LONGER IS THIS GONNA TAKE?

WHAT'S UP?

CHZZT

DUTCH ...

HEY, DUTCH.

STAY COOL, BENNY BOY.

WE'RE ABOUT DONE HERE. START THE ENGINE!

IT'S A PHILIPPINE NAVY PATROL SHIP!

VRR

BUT...!

OOM VRROOAR

OKAY GENTLEMEN!

YOU START TAILING US, THE DEAL'S OFF!!

WE'RE LEAVING. YOU'RE FREE TO GO NOW.

PHEW...

...YOUR BEST BET'S TO STAY LOW AND KEEP CALM, YOU GOT THAT?!

UNLESS YOU WANT US TO BLAST YOU INTO HAMBURGER AND SCRAP METAL WITH A TORPEDO...

NUDGE

YOU'RE NOT OFF THE HOOK YET.

YOU'RE COMIN' WITH US, DICKHEAD.

...
YOU'RE JOKING, RIGHT?

SHUT UP.

AND START WALKIN'.

YOU'VE GOTTA BE JOKING !!

VROOM VROOM

LOUD AND CLEAR. HOW'S BUSINESS ?

RRROOM

RROOM

THIS IS THE BLACK LAGOON. BALALAIKA, DO YOU READ ME?

YOU KNOW HOW I LOVE IT WHEN BUSINESS GOES SMOOTHLY, DUTCH.

MAKE THE DROP-OFF ACCORDING TO PLAN, OKAY?

RAID COMPLETE. THE ITEM IS IN MY POSSESSION, OVER.

ROGER THAT.

Shinjuku Ward, Tokyo, Japan

THIS IS THE GREATEST CRISIS ASAHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES HAS FACED SINCE ITS FOUNDING.

WHAT DOES OUR MATERIALS DIVISION CHIEF HAVE TO SAY ABOUT THIS? KAGEYAMA?

Executive Conference Room 2

FIRST TIME I'VE HEARD OF THEM.

WHAT'S THE WORD ON THIS COMPANY?

DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THE RAID ARE AS FOLLOWS...

A FIRM BY THE NAME OF "BOUGANVILLEA TRADING COMPANY" HAS CONTACTED US WISHING TO NEGOTIATE REGARDING THE STOLEN DISK...

THIS FIRM IS THEIR FRONT.

RUSSIAN MOBSTERS HAVE MOVED THE CHINESE GANGS OUT OF SOUTHEAST ASIA AND CURRENTLY CONTROL THE LOCAL BLACK MARKETS.

IN MY ESTIMATION, THEY'RE INTERESTED IN OUR TRADING PARTNER'S...

...ILLEGAL SMUGGLING ROUTES INTO SOUTHEAST ASIA.

IN OTHER WORDS...

WHAT ARE THEY HOPING TO GAIN HERE, SPECIFICALLY?

MONEY?

OTHERWISE THEY'LL GO PUBLIC WITH VERIFIABLE EVIDENCE OF OUR SHADY BUSINESS DEALINGS.

...THE COVERT TRADE DEAL WE'RE CURRENTLY PLANNING.

THEY'RE HOPING TO GET IN ON...

ABSOLUTELY! THOSE GANGS WILL BLEED US DRY IN NO TIME, IF IT COMES TO THAT.

OBVIOUSLY, YOU CAN'T EXPECT US TO PUT ANY FAITH IN THEM.

PREPOSTER-OUS. AFTER ALL, THESE PEOPLE ARE THUGS.

WHAT THEN?

THEY'LL PROMISE TO STAY QUIET IF WE LET THEM ON BOARD?

A LOCAL CHINESE EXPATRIATE HAS TIPPED US OFF REGARDING THE DISK.

AND?

GO ON.

SIR...

AT THE MOMENT, IT'S STILL IN THE HANDS OF THE PIRATES THAT RAIDED THE MELANESIA MARU.

THE RUSSIAN MAFIA HAS NOT YET SECURED THE DISK...

I'VE JUST RECEIVED A BULLE-TIN FROM JAKARTA.

WE SHOULD SEND IN SPECIALISTS IN THIS SORT OF EXTRALEGAL WORK AND RECOVER THE DISK QUICKLY.

SIR, THIS IS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY.

WE CAN'T TRUST SOME VERBAL AGREEMENT WITH THE MAFIA.

MAKE IT LOOK AS IF WE'LL DEAL WITH THE RUSSIANS...

...AND IN THE MEANTIME RECOVER THE DISK...OR DESTROY IT.

UNDER-STOOD.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ENTRUSTS THIS MATTER TO YOU.

USE ANY MEANS NECESSARY TO REMEDY THE SITUATION.

THIS CRISIS COULD MORTALLY WOUND ASAHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES.

...SO...

WILL MY COMPANY BAIL ME OUT?

WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TO ME?

THAT BITCH BALALAIKA IS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF US!!

DAMN IT, REVY!

WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA, KIDNAPPING A LITTLE FISH LIKE HIM? WHAT'RE YOU TRYING TO PROVE?

YOU DON'T GET IT, DUTCH! YOU JUST DON'T GET IT!!

SHUT IT, FOUR EYES!!

BAD MOVE, REVY.

10

AND JUST HOW ARE WE GONNA CUT A DEAL? WE'RE BUSY AS IT IS, DAMMIT!!

OR PERHAPS YOU'LL GROW WINGS AND FLY AROUND TO GET THIS DEAL TOGETHER!!

SO IT'S LIKE THAT, HUH?

ALL RIGHT! FINE, ASS-HOLE!!

THAT'S EASIER SAID THAN DONE.

YOU WANNA DIE TOO, BENNY?!

THINK ABOUT IT. WE'RE ONLY GETTING 20 GRAND FOR A DANGEROUS GIG LIKE THIS! ONLY 20 GRAND, DUTCH!!

WHAT'S WRONG WITH SWEETENING OUR CUT WITH SOME RANSOM MONEY?!

YAAAH! STOP THAT!!

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

WHY DON'T I JUST BLOW HIS SORRY ASS AWAY AND THROW HIM OVER-BOARD?

STOP! STOP! STOP!! STOP!!

BLAM

BLAM

FUCK OFF!!

BLAM

REVY, GET A GRIP! YOU'RE RUINING MY BOAT!

ENOUGH OF THIS SHIT!

I'M GETTIN' SOME SHUTEYE 'TIL WE DOCK.

DUTCH ...

DUTCH!

WHAT?

OKAY, ALL RIGHT. YOU CAN LET GO NOW!

ALL RIGHT. STAY COOL, REVY. GOT THAT?

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

OKAY, OKAY. SMOKE 'EM IF YOU GOT 'EM.

I DON'T KNOW HOW, BUT I'M STILL ALIVE...

I... I'M ALIVE?

HEY YOU, MR. JAPANESE.

FOR CHRIST'S SAKE...

HOPE YOU DON'T MIND...

ONLY SMOKES ON ME ARE THIS LOCAL BRAND...

POFF

WE'LL CONTACT YOUR EMPLOYER AND HAVE THEM TAKE YOU BACK.

BUT FIRST THINGS FIRST. WE GOTTA GET THAT DISK TO OUR CLIENT.

ANY-THING'S FINE. I DON'T CARE.

SO, WHAT'S TO BECOME OF ME?

HANGING ON TO THAT DISK DOESN'T DO US ANY GOOD.

AIN'T WORTH A DAMN UNLESS YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH IT.

WE'RE JUST COURIERS. THAT'S ALL.

YOUR CLIENT?

WHAT? YOU'RE NOT KEEPING IT?

DON'T KNOW, DON'T WANNA KNOW.

SNOOPS GET THEM-SELVES KILLED QUICKLY IN MY LINE OF WORK.

THEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT'S ON IT EITHER?

AND IF I'M UNLUCKY... THEN WHAT?

RIGHT NOW WE'RE HEADED FOR A THAI PORT.

WE MAKE THE DROP-OFF AT A BAR THERE.

YOU'VE GOT MY CONDOLENCES AND PRAYERS IF YOU WANT 'EM.

FROM THERE, IT'S A MATTER OF HOW LONG YOUR LUCK HOLDS OUT.

PLEASE HELP ME...

SLUMP

...

OH GOD... OH DEAR GOD...

THIS COULD HARDLY BE MORE INOPPORTUNE.

SIR, THAT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE.

WELL, FUJIWARA ?!

MY DEEPEST APOLOGIES, SIR!

THIS IS DUE TO MY SUPERVISORY INEPTITUDE.

DAMN, THIS CHANGES EVERY-THING! TO THINK THEY'RE HOLDING ONE OF OUR EMPLOYEES HOSTAGE!!

WHY WASN'T THIS INFORMATION RELAYED TO ME IN A MORE TIMELY MANNER?!

...WITH DELICATE AFFAIRS SUCH AS THIS. OUR MEANS OF CONFIRMING THIS INFORMA-TION ARE EXTREMELY LIMITED.

THERE ARE ONLY SO MANY EMPLOYEES WE CAN TRUST...

I WAS JUST TOLD OF THIS DEVELOPMENT MOMENTS AGO...

I'VE ALREADY STATED THEM, SIR.

ENOUGH.

KAGEYAMA, WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS?

AND THE MERCENARIES OF THE E.O. CORPORATION THAT WE'VE SUBCONTRACTED ARE ALREADY ON THE MOVE.

THIS CORPORATION FACES A REAL AND IMMEDIATE CRISIS.

WE HAVE A LIMITED WINDOW OF OPPORTUNITY TO SALVAGE THE SITUATION.

WELL THERE YOU HAVE IT. I CERTAINLY SYMPATHIZE WITH HIS FATE.

...UH, WHAT WAS HIS NAME AGAIN?

OKAJIMA, SIR.

ROKURŌ OKAJIMA.

岡島緑郎

和４９年８月

東京本社資材部東南アジア課在籍

成績は誠に良好であり、

[redacted]

THAT'S A WEIRD NAME.

ROKURŌ OKAJIMA?

SORRY 'BOUT THAT.

GIVING PEOPLE STATIC IS JUST SECOND NATURE TO ME.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

BUT DEAR GOD...

HEY, YOU THINK I DON'T KNOW?

LEAVE ME ALONE, WILL YOU?

EX-ROCK

WHAT A TERRIBLE PLACE.

IT'S LIKE THE LAST BAR ON EARTH.

HEY, I LIKE THAT.

NOT YOUR KIND OF PLACE?

HOOKERS, JUNKIES, MERCS, CONTRACT KILLERS...

THE WORST KINDS OF OUTLAWS YOU CAN IMAGINE.

THIS BAR WAS OPENED BY AN EX-SOUTH VIETNAMESE SOLDIER...

EH, ROCK?

AT FIRST IT WAS A SAFE HIDEOUT FOR ARMY DESERTERS, BUT BEFORE LONG, ALL SORTS OF DRIFTERS STARTED CONGREGATING HERE.

BESIDES, I'M JUST NOT GOOD WITH CONFRONTATIONS.

I'LL TAKE A NIGHT OUT AT A JAPANESE DINING-BAR ANY DAY OVER THIS PLACE.

MR. DUTCH !!

WHAT DID YOU JUST CALL ME?

YOU LOOK THE PART.

TOK

BENNY...

...I GOTTA MAKE A CALL.

ROCK, FOR ROKURŌ.

COOL NICK-NAME, HUH?

HE HAS A KNACK FOR GIVING PEOPLE NICKNAMES.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

ROCK...?

BUT, TRYING TO FIGURE HIM OUT IS A WASTE OF TIME.

I'VE BEEN WITH HIM TWO YEARS AND ALL I CAN TELL YOU IS THAT HE'S TOUGH, INTELLIGENT, AND UNIQUE.

HE'S A REAL CHARACTER.

BUT PLAYING WITH FIRE GOT BOTH THE MOB AND THE FBI PISSED OFF AT ME.

AND THEN ...

I WORKED AT A UNIVERSITY IN FLORIDA.

WHAT DID YOU DO BEFORE?

THANK YOU.

YOU SEEM TO BE RATHER ILL-FIT FOR THIS CROWD YOURSELF.

KACH

...BEFORE THEY STUFFED HIM INTO A SUITCASE AND USED HIM AS A BOAT ANCHOR...

...I SAVED HIS SORRY ASS.

WE'RE HERE TO DRINK, RIGHT? LET'S BULLSHIT ABOUT SOMETHING MORE INTERESTING.

WHADDAYA SAY, MR. JAPANESE?

♬ HERE'S ONE FOR YOU AND ONE FOR ME. ♬

AS THEY SAY...

WORTHLESS BEDTIME STORIES, BENNY. GIVE IT A REST.

YOU AREN'T OLD ENOUGH TO GET NOSTALGIC FOR YOUR SHITTY PAST ANYWAY.

THUNK

KLINK

BEER'S LIKE PISS WATER. GIVES ME NO BUZZ AT ALL.

THIS IS WHAT YOU DRINK IF YOU'RE A *REAL* MAN.

THOK

GLUG GLUG

AND THIS IS...?

BUT YOU MIGHT AS WELL DROP THOSE PANTS AND PUT ON A SKIRT!

I'M NOT SAYIN' YOU COULDN'T DO IT...

SHWFF

OF COURSE, IF YOU'RE SOME NO-LOAD WIMP THAT CAN'T KEEP UP WITH A GIRL...

CHUG CHUG CHUG

TIE RIBBONS IN YOUR HAIR AND GO TO A DANCE, EH?

チェイン

GRIN

HEY, BARTENDER.

I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T LIKE CONFRONTATIONS?

BRING US ALL THE BACARDI YOU GOT!

I CAN HEAR YOU FINE. GO ON.

WOO

GO FOR IT!

YEAH

YEEHAAA

HELLO? HELLO?

QUITE A COMMOTION OVER THERE. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

I DID SOME DIGGING AND IT TURNS OUT WE HAVE A CHINESE RAT ON OUR HANDS. I'M HAVING A NICE CHAT WITH HIM RIGHT NOW.

SOMETHING BOTHERED ME ABOUT HOW ASAHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES WAS HANDLING THIS.

SO...

I WANT TO CHANGE THE DROP-OFF POINT TO PALAWAN INSTEAD.

WHAT?

I'VE... I'VE ALREADY TOLD YOU WHAT YOU WANT!

GIVE

YOUR BOSS'S NAME... SPEAK UP.

JUST A MOMENT.

WHO'S BEHIND THIS?

PLEASE, PLEASE! STOP, OKAY, STOP, PLEASE!!

HE LEAKED THE INFO TO ME SO HE COULD TAKE YOU DOWN!

THAT'S WHY THE JAPANESE SENT A HIT SQUAD TO THAILAND, OKAY?

STOMP

URRRGH... STOP...

S...S... SUN YEE ON! ELDER BROTHER CHANG OF THE SUN YEE ON!

DID YOU CATCH THAT?

YEAH. THIS IS BAD.

AAARRRGGH!

UH, SOME COMPANY, SOME MERCENARY OUTFIT CALLED EXTRA ORDER! I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY THEY SENT!

URGH ...

HOW MANY SOLDIERS DID THEY SEND AND FROM WHERE? SPEAK UP.

QUICKLY NOW, WE'RE VERY BUSY.

I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE.

ZCHK

Убйть. Бопьшеза Вопрос.

Да Капитан.

SHIT, SUCKS TO BE HIM.

BLAM

MAKE SURE TO WATCH YOUR BACK.

BLAM

KBAM

KBLAM

SEEMS THOSE IDIOTS INSIST ON MAKING US TANGO WITH THEM.

E.O. HAS A LOT OF COMBAT EXPERIENCED TROOPS ON THEIR PAYROLL.

I WILL.

EVERYONE IN POSITION?

1981~1992

I KNOW I'M GOING TO HEAVEN.

KC'S TO HEAVEN 1981 ~ 1992

LET'S DO IT.

YEEAH! YOU FUCKERS HAVING A GOOD TIME?

KCHUNK

AND

BUM

NG

FRIEND

I GOT A LITTLE PRESENT FOR YA!

HERE YA GO!

SH

KT

BRATATATATATA

IT'S PARTY TIME, MOTHER-FUCKERS!!

BRAKKA

ANYBODY RUNS, REAM 'EM A NEW ONE!

BRAKKA

BRRRP BRRRP

NO ONE GETS OUT OF HERE ALIVE!

ZHT ZHT ZHT ZHT

BA

SPAK SPAK SPAK CHUN

BLAM

AIEEE!!

TAKKI

BLAM BLAM

TA KKA

NEVER SEEN 'EM BEFORE, BAO.

REVY! THEY'RE YOUR FRIENDS, RIGHT? DO SOMETHING!

BENNY?

STILL BREATHIN'.

SLRP

YOU STILL IN ONE PIECE?

SHIT!

AMAZINGLY ENOUGH, STILL TICKING.

CHATTER

THEY'RE COMIN' IN FAST! REVY!!

HEEELP !!

I GRADUATED FROM A RESPECTABLE COLLEGE! I LANDED A JOB AT A GOOD COMPANY! WHY THIS? THIS ISN'T RIGHT!!

I'VE HAD ENOUGH! I CAN'T TAKE IT ANY-MORE!!

BDOOM

ROCK ?!

SHCHIK

SHC IHK

...OR YOU'LL MISS OUT, MR. JAPANESE.

CHI AK

QUIT WHINING, DIPSHIT.

LIFE'S A RIDE. MIGHT AS WELL HAVE SOME FUN...

♪

KA CHI AK

TIME TO SHOW 'EM WHY THEY CALL YOU...

...TWO HAND!!

KA BLAM

REVY !!

OH YEAH!

ZA

CHAK

WAH

BANG

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

KILL HER !!

KABLAM

BLAM

BLAM

WOOM

BHAM

THKKR

BRRRRT

AASHH

HUP!

BLAM BLAM

BRATA

TAT

NOT MY PROB.

ASK DUTCH.

YOU'RE PAYING FOR ALL THE DAMAGE, YOU GOT THAT?

KA-CHAK

THAT'S IT, REVY. GET OUT OF MY BAR!

HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU TRASHED MY PLACE ?!

SHACHAK

KA-CHAK

HMM...

GUESS THIS IS THE THIRD TIME?

YOU GET ME SOME MONEY...

KA-BLAM

GOT IT.

FOOM

...OR ELSE YOU'LL NEVER SET FOOT IN HERE AGAIN!

IF YOU DO, I'LL WELD YOUR ASSHOLE SHUT AND BORE A NEW ONE IN YOUR HEAD AS A REPLACEMENT!

KACHAK!

BANG

FWI SH

DEAD AS FUCKIN' FRIED CHICKEN, BUSTER!

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

SHE'S SMILING ...!

...WHAT THE...

SHE'S...

AAAGH!

BRAK!

BRAK!

BRAK!

KACHO

BOOM

ROCK!!

WHAT ABOUT ME?!

WHAT A MINUTE! WHAT...

SEEMS THERE'S NO TIME TO MAKE A SWAP FOR YOU.

SORRY ABOUT THIS. SUDDEN CHANGE IN PLANS.

ARE YOU INSANE?! I'LL DIE HERE!! TAKE ME WITH YOU! TAKE ME WITH YOU, GODDAMN IT!!

WHY DON'T WE JUST SPLIT UP HERE?

FRANKLY, YOU WEREN'T IN THE PLANS ORIGINALLY.

REVY! CLEAR A PATH FOR US, BABY!

WHO

...OH, WHAT THE HELL.

JUST DON'T GET IN OUR WAY. GOT IT, ROCK?!

KTINK

OSH

BLAM!

OH YEAH! COME ON 'N DANCE!

KABAM

BLAM

BLAM

BANG

BANG

GRAB

BKAM

RUN!!

SKREEEE

THUP

MOVE IT! LET'S GO!

TING!

JUST LEAVING THOSE WAR LOVING FREAKS...

...SOME EASTER EGGS.

REVY, WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOIN'?!

HEY!

FWISH

BAM

BOOM

VRROOO

HEY DUTCH...

ASSHOLES, HUH? TEARDROP IN MY EYE.

GUESS WE'LL HAVE TO GET BALALAIKA TO GIVE US A RAISE.

SAID WE BETTER COVER HIM FOR THE MESS OR ELSE HE WON'T LET US BACK IN *AND* HE'LL WELD OUR ASSHOLES SHUT.

BAO WAS STEAM-ING LIKE A TEA KETTLE.

STORM...

...THESE GUYS AREN'T RUN-OF-THE-MILL PUNKS.

THESE BADASSES CAN ACTUALLY PUT UP A FIGHT.

CAPTAIN.

WE'VE GOT 16 DEAD AND 8 SERIOUSLY INJURED!

I'M VERY SORRY SIR. WE THOUGHT THEY WERE JUST SOME PUNKS AND LET OUR GUARD DOWN.

SO SLOW AND AWKWARD... NO CHALLENGE AT ALL.

BUT THIS CREW... THESE GUYS HAVE GUTS.

THAT LAST GIG IN LIBERIA WAS THE PITS.

ONLY PEOPLE WE COULD SHOOT AT WERE OLD MEN AND SNOT-NOSED BRATS.

OH YES...

I'VE BEEN WAIT-ING FOR SOMETHING LIKE THIS.

SHAA

SHAA

SHAA

IF WE CAN MAINTAIN THIS SPEED...

...WE'LL REACH THE PALAWAN COAST BY DAWN.

KT-CHUNK

NO PROBLEMS DOWN HERE, DUTCH.

...WELL, WE'VE FINALLY MADE IT THROUGH THE THAI NAVY SECURITY ZONE.

THANK GOD.

IF WE CAN'T CUT A DEAL WITH THEM, THEN WE'LL JUST DROP YOU OFF ON IN MALAYSIA SOMEPLACE.

BENNY IS TRYING TO CONTACT YOUR COMPANY RIGHT NOW.

OKAY, ROCK.

YOU DRAG ME AROUND ALL OVER THE PLACE...

...AND THEN *THIS*?!

WHAT THE HELL? ALL THIS, AND NOW YOU'RE JUST GONNA ABANDON ME?!

LOTSA BANDITS IN THE AREA BUT AT LEAST YOU'LL HAVE YOUR LIFE.

OKAY?

HUH?

C'MON!!

FOR GOD'S SAKE, AT LEAST TAKE ME SOMEPLACE SAFE!!

I'M THROUGH WITH PIRATES, SHOOT-OUTS, AND GETTING IN TROUBLE!

GANK

I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF YOUR SHIT.

HEY, DUTCH?

FIRST YOU'RE WHINING AND CRYING, AND NOW YOU WANT US TO BE YOUR FUCKIN' TAXI SERVICE?

AND ANOTHER THING... WE'RE COURIERS...NO MORE, NO LESS.

BUT HEY, WE GOTTA MAKE A LIVING, SO EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE WE BREAK THE LAW. THAT'S IT... YOU GOT IT?

KCHAK

YOU KNOW, I WOULDN'T MIND SHOWING YOU THE COLOR OF YOUR BRAINS, RIGHT HERE, RIGHT NOW.

ROCK, DO YOU KNOW A MR. KAGEYAMA?

IS HE YOUR BOSS?

I JUST GOT THROUGH.

THE CONNECTION'S SECURE. I USED ASSAULT DIALER TO GET THE NUMBER.

HOW'S IT GOING?

OH YES, OKAJIMA. ABOUT THAT DISK...

I'M TERRIBLY SORRY ABOUT THE DISK, SIR...

THUMP

KICK

SIR, IT'S ME, OKAJIMA!!

I'M...

I DON'T FOLLOW YOU... SIR...?

UH, SIR?

UNDER-STAND?

...THERE NEVER WAS ANY DISK AND YOU'RE ALREADY DEAD.

NOW OKAJIMA...FOR THE GOOD OF THE 50-THOUSAND-PLUS WORKFORCE OF ASAHI HEAVY INDUSTRIES...

ACCEPT YOUR FATE WITH DIGNITY AND PERISH IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA FOR US.

ASAHI IS ON THE BRINK OF BANK-RUPTCY. TO SAVE THE COMPANY, WE SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL TO A CERTAIN NATION REGARDING NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY.

BUT THE U.N. BANS ALL SUCH TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER TO THIS NATION. THAT DISK CONTAINED OUR DETAILED PROPOSAL PLANS.

I'M SORRY OKAJIMA.

S-SIR... WHAT?!

GR GR GR GR GRGR

SPECIALISTS IN EXTRA-LEGAL AFFAIRS SHOULD BE THERE ANY MOMENT NOW.

ALL SENIOR MANAGEMENT, INCLUDING THE C.E.O., WILL ATTEND YOUR FUNERAL.

GRGR

VR EE EE EE EE EE

FULL COMPLEMENT, CAPTAIN!

WHAT'S OUR WEAPON LOADOUT?

THE JAPANESE ARE PAYING FOR EVERYTHING, INCLUDING MISSILES. PRETORIA HQ IS LETTING US HANDLE THIS OUR WAY...NO STRINGS ATTACHED!

GRCR

GR

ALL HANDS, BE ADVISED...

GR

MAIN CARGO-HOLD DOORS OPENING. ALL HANDS...

GRRR

KEEEE

OPENING HOLD NUMBER ONE.

OPEN CARGO-HOLD NUMBER ONE!

NOW OPENING MAIN HATCH.

GR GR GRGR

...BE ADVISED.

AAGH...

HUHH...!

GACK...

SHIT! HE JUST PUKED ON THE FLOOR!

BLARRGH

MAN, THIS GUY'S ONE SORRY SACK OF SHIT.

FOR CHRIST'S SAKE...

GET HIM OUTSIDE FOR SOME FRESH AIR.

CRAP, GUESS WE CAN KISS THAT EXTRA BONUS GOODBYE.

RAH

GG

URG

WOW, THEY CUT YOU OFF JUST LIKE THAT, HUH?

HEY, DON'T THINK I DON'T FEEL SORRY FOR YOU, ALL RIGHT?

REVY...

ARE YOU ON DECK?

JESUS, THEY'RE ONLY YOUR EMPLOYER, RIGHT? FUCK, YOU'D THINK...

BUT C'MON ...

WAS IT REALLY SO BIG A SHOCK THAT YOU HAD TO HURL?

LEAVE ME ALONE.

IT'S NOT A SHIP. IT'S TOO FAST.

THERE'S SOMETHING HEADED STRAIGHT FOR US AT HIGH SPEED.

YEAH, WHAT'S UP?

SHOULD BE ON OUR 3 O'CLOCK.

DO YOU SEE ANY-THING?

VUP VUP VUP VUP VUP VUP

WHOP

WHOP

WHOP

A GUN-SHIP?!

VO

WHP WHP

TARGET CONFIRMED!!

ENGAGE! ENGAGE!

WHP

KC HNK

A GOD-DAMNED ATTACK HELICOPTER ?!

BENNY !!

KLK KLK KLK KLK

FLAK MG'S... AUTO-LOCK MODE... ENGAGED!

VHOO

ROCK, GET DOWN !!

VASHOO

VSHOO VSHOO VSHOO

KC

HK

SLASH SLASH SLASH

BAM

REVY! REVY, LISTEN UP!

WHAT? I CAN'T HEAR YOU!!

YARGH!

SPLASH

SPLASH

THUMP

THUMP

WE'RE IN DEEP SHIT!

GET THE GEPARD ANTITANK RIFLE, DAMMIT!

KLCHAK

YEAH, I NOTICED! GODDAMN IT!!

BA

KOM

SHIT!

SHAKAK

DO SOMETHING! RAMBO SHOT ONE OF THOSE DOWN WITH A BOW AND ARROW!

OH!

SPAK

BLOW ME!

SPSSH

ZBSSH

WHY DON'T *YOU* TRY IT, FUCKER!!

SPSSH

SPAK

SPAK

WHAT THE ...!

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOIN', ROCK?!

ARE YOU NUTS?! THEY'LL SHOOT US FULL OF HOLES!

I CAN'T GET A CLEAR SHOT!!

HOLD HER STEADY, DUTCH!

I'LL GET OFF HERE, THANKS.

SO, GOOD-BYE.

I'VE HAD ENOUGH, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

THUD THUD

AAAGH!

THUD

STRU

SURE, I'LL GIVE YOU A HAND YOU LIMP-DICKED WEASEL!

YOU GOTTA PAY FOR THAT LIFE-JACKET!!

GG LE

LET GO OF ME, YOU MONEY GRUBBING LUNATIC!

BEHIND YOU! BEHIND YOU!!

AAAGH!

K K

I SAID, INCREASE OUR ALTITUDE AND FLY TOWARD THE PALAWAN STRAITS.

SIR?

GIVE ME SOME ALTITUDE.

VREE VREE VREE VREE VREE

WHOP WHOP WHOP WHOP

SIR, IF I MAY...

WE COULD TURN THEM INTO MINCEMEAT RIGHT NOW.

THOSE SORRY SCUMBAGS TOOK THE BAIT-HOOK, LINE, AND SINKER.

C'MON MAYER... YOU'RE NOT SOME ROOKIE. YOU SHOULD KNOW BETTER.

LET'S GET OURSELVES A GOOD VIEW...

...AND WATCH 'EM CRY AND PISS THEIR PANTS IN TERROR. THAT'S WORTH A FEW GOOD LAUGHS, RIGHT?

RAW OR WELL-DONE, WE CAN COOK THEIR ASSES ANYWAY WE WANT.

SOME-THING'S NOT RIGHT, DUTCH.

THOSE GUYS COULD HAVE TURNED US INTO SWISS CHEESE PRETTY EASILY.

WHY'D THEY PULL BACK?

HEY...

HEY!

WHAT?

THEY STOPPED ATTACKING...

WHAT THE HELL...

THEY DISAPPEARED.

WHAT'S GOING ON? WHERE'D THEY DISAPPEAR TO?

HEY DUTCH!!

I AGREE. SOMETHING'S WRONG.

THERE'S GOT TO BE SOME-THING WE'RE MISSING...

YEAH, THERE'S *SOMETHING*...

DUTCH, TAKE A LOOK AT THE CHARTS!

GRIND

AH, DAMN! I GOT IT!

WHAT WE THOUGHT WAS AN ESCAPE ROUTE...

...IS A STINKING TRAP!!

KK

...THE CHANNEL?!

YEAH, THE FREAKIN' CHANNEL!

BR

THIS AREA IS FULL OF REEFS LEADING ALL THE WAY UP TO PALAWAN...

WHICH MEANS WE HAVE NO ROOM TO RUN!!

SHAKE

I SAID...

COOL IT.

JUST HOLD ON HERE...

SHAKE

THAT MEANS WE'RE GONNA DIE!

SHAKE

COOL IT, ROCK.

HEY NOW.

I KNOW... CONTACT THE MALAYSIAN POLICE! IT MIGHT MEAN TROUBLE, BUT AT LEAST WE'LL BE-

GETTING ALL WORKED UP ISN'T GOING TO MAKE THINGS ANY BETTER.

YOU GOTTA USE YOUR HEAD IF YOU WANNA STAY ALIVE.

THRASH

IF THEY GET HIT, THEY'LL BLOW US TO THE MOON.

WELL THAT'S WHAT YOU GET FOR KEEPING THEM LOADED, DAMN IT!

FUCKING WONDERFUL. HOW'S THE DAMAGE TO THE BOAT?

NOTHING SERIOUS FOR NOW. I'M MORE WORRIED ABOUT OUR LOAD OF TORPEDOES...

ANY CHANCE THAT THEY RAN LOW ON FUEL?

E.O. SOLDIERS MAY BE ASS-HOLES, BUT THEY'RE NOT THAT STUPID.

DUTCH...

WHAT ABOUT IT?

OF COURSE.

THE LAYOUT OF THE REEF CHANNEL EXITS...

ARE YOU FAMILIAR WITH WHAT'S THERE?

NEXT QUES-TION...

KNOW OF ANY ROCK FORMATION YOU COULD LAUNCH US OFF OF?

OR, I DON'T KNOW, SAY...

...SOMETHING YOU COULD USE AS A RAMP?

WHAT ARE YOU GETTING AT?

THERE'S A...AN OVERTURNED SHIPWRECK AT THE END OF THE CHANNEL.

WAIT A MINUTE...

YOU JUST SAID IT YOURSELF...

WE COULD BLOW THEM TO THE MOON.

NOW, LISTEN CLOSELY...

NO WAY WE CAN PULL THAT OFF.

...

...IMPOSSIBLE.

NO, WE COULD DO IT! IT'S JUST A QUESTION OF TIMING AFTER WE DROP THE ANCHOR.

ACTUALLY, YES...

I'M IN.

DUTCH...

WE GOT NO OTHER BACKUP PLAN, RIGHT?

THEY KNOW THEY HAVE A HUGE ADVANTAGE OVER US...

...BUT THEY PULLED BACK TO CLEAR THE FIELD.

JUST WATCHING THEM MADE IT CLEAR.

THEY GOT A KICK OUT OF CHASING US AROUND.

THIS'LL ONLY WORK IF THEY COME AT US FROM DEAD AHEAD.

FLIK

ROCK, HOW DO YOU KNOW THEY'LL GO FOR IT?

DALE
THE DEL-TONES
LIONHEART
OF COURSE, IT'S NO SURE THING.
YOU'RE THE CAPTAIN. YOU MAKE THE CALL...
IT'S UP TO YOU.
THEY ONLY DID THAT TO GET IN POSITION...
...TO ENJOY WATCHING US SQUIRM IN THEIR TRAP.
IF WE PLAY CHICKEN WITH THEM, THEY'LL BITE FOR SURE.
THEY *COULDN'T* POSSIBLY LOSE, RIGHT?
ONLY A LUNATIC WOULD COME UP WITH SOMETHING LIKE THIS.
JESUS H. CHRIST...
I CAN'T BELIEVE I PICKED UP A NUT LIKE YOU.
ALL RIGHT, LET'S GET IT ON.
BUT IT SURE KICKS ASS.
AND THAT'S IMPORTANT, ROCK.

VRRRRRR

FINISH LINE? FUCK NO, IT'S THE *END* OF THE LINE FOR THEM!!

TAKE US LOWER!!

VR RR RR

CAPTAIN...

WHRR R

WE'RE ON STATION ABOVE THE FINISH LINE.

SH

VROAR

WHEN THE MISSILES COME FLYING, I SHOOT THIS THING AWAY FROM US, RIGHT?

YOU GOT IT IN ONE!! HERE COME THOSE SHITHEADS, SO LET'S KICK THEIR ASSES!

ROCK!!

YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO, RIGHT?!

KK

ZACH

REVY!

BAK

GET 'EM TO PLAY CHICKEN WITH US, BABY!

TONK

WE'RE TAKING FIRE!

TONK

OH, HELL YEAH! BRING IT ON!

C'MON, LET'S PARTY YOU FUCKS!!

SHHH

ZACHAK

HERE THEY COME, ROCK!

SHWEE

FOOM

SHREEEEE

OOF

HHHH

150 FEET AND CLOSING !!

WE'RE ON THE ALPINE RUN!!

YOU TWO, GET BACK IN THE CABIN!!

VRROO

BRACE FOR IMPACT!

SIXTY FEET!

VRRR

FORTY FEET!

DROP ANCHOR !!

I'M GONNA FUCK YOU UP...

...BABY !!

KCHANNNG

ZZZOOSH

OM

THUNK

THUNK

KRASH

FUCK YOU!!

VAPOR

AMEN HALLELUJAH PEANUT BUTTER.

EVEN MY SHADES ARE OKAY.

I DON'T BELIEVE IT. MY HEAD'S STILL ATTACHED.

...

WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?!

CHRIST, WHERE'S ROCK?!

HE'S OVER HERE, OUT COLD.

WP

BENNY, YOU ALL RIGHT?

MY EQUIPMENT'S TRASHED! YOU GET ME A NEW SET, OR I'M ON STRIKE!

THANK FUCKING CHRIST.

BUT ONCE IS ENOUGH, FUCK YOU VERY MUCH.

ONE-ON-ONE WITH THE SCUM GIRLS OF SWANK

MAN, HE SOUNDED LIKE WILLIAM HOLDEN IN *THE WILD BUNCH.*

WHEN WE CRASHED HE HOLLERED OUT LIKE YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE.

YEAH.

YOU GOT THAT RIGHT.

WELL GET A LOAD OF THIS...

HE LOOKS MIGHTY PLEASED WITH HIMSELF.

WHITE SKULL

OF CHEMICAL 45
FILTER CIGARETTE

BY GOD, WE SURE PICKED UP...

...QUITE A CHARACTER.

GREAT WORK. THANK YOU.

DISK DELIVERY CONFIRMED.

I MUST SAY YOU ALL LOOK TERRIBLE.

I DO LOVE IT WHEN BUSINESS GOES SMOOTHLY.

BUT YOU KNOW DUTCH...

I DON'T RECALL PLANNING ON VISITING THE SOHO CHARCUTERIE TONIGHT.

JUST DROP IT, PLEASE.

SO...

ARE WE READY TO SETTLE THIS AFFAIR AMICABLY NOW?

...AND WE DID THEM OURS.

NOW, MR KAGEYAMA ...

YOU'VE DONE THINGS YOUR WAY...

IT SEEMS WE HAVE NO CHOICE.

VERY WELL.

YOU'LL FIND THAT HOTEL MOSCOW WILL KEEP ITS END OF THE BARGAIN.

...WHAT IS IT?

OKAJIMA! YOU'VE CERTAINLY EARNED YOUR PAY TODAY. IT'S TIME TO GO.

SINCE WE'RE READY TO WRAP THIS UP...

WHY DON'T WE NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF OUR AGREEMENT BACK AT MY OFFICE?

SSHFF

SIR...

...HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN ALREADY?

OKAJIMA'S ...

YOU SAID SO YOURSELF.

...DEAD AND GONE FROM YOUR WORLD.

ITTO

IPP

MY NAME...

...IS ROCK.

I'M SORRY YOU GOT MIXED UP WITH THESE CLOWNS...

BUT...

...IT'D BE A REAL SHAME TO SEE A TOUGH GUY LIKE YOU WITHER AWAY AS SOME BORING SALARYMAN.

IF YOU EVER NEED ANY HELP, DON'T HESITATE TO COME TO ME, ALL RIGHT?

До свидания. (BYE NOW.)

SKRT

YOU KNOW, ROCK...

...I SEE.

VERY WELL. DO AS YOU PLEASE.

Y-YES SIR!!

KACHUNK

COME ON!

RRM...

WELL I'M NOT A HOSTAGE ANYMORE.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO, REALLY.

SO ROCK...

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO NOW?

THEY'RE COURIERS...

SAY...

I KNOW AN OUTFIT THAT'S LOOKING TO HIRE A CREW MEMBER.

...AND EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE THEY BREAK THE LAW...

THAT SOUND ABOUT RIGHT?

A GOOD MORNING TO YOU, CREW OF THE *SAINT JONES.*

TEE-HEE-HEE

TESTING, TESTING, ONE TWO...

AH...

...UH, HOW DO I SAY THIS...

...PLEASE HALT YOUR VESSEL.

WHILE I DO REALIZE THAT MY REQUEST IS SUDDEN...

SOMEBODY OVER THERE YAMMERING ABOUT SOME-THING.

THERE'S A BOAT BLOCKING OUR PATH.

WHAT'S GOING ON?!

KCHIK KCHIK

NOW THIS IS JUST MY PERSONAL OPINION...

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BUT I BELIEVE...
...COMPLYING QUICKLY...

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WHAT'S THE WORD?

DUTCH, I JUST HEARD FROM THEM.

REVY...!

RIGHT, BENNY.

"WE WILL PROCEED PAST YOU BY FORCE."

GOT IT.

KL INK

...NO MORE MR. NICE GUY.

Wash

VOOM

KCHANK

UMMM...

GRAB

GIMME THAT.

BEFORE...

GR GR

WHAT THE HELL?!

GR

THEY'VE GOT ROCKETS !!

UNLESS YOU WANT ME TO TURN YOU INTO A BLOOD-DRENCHED GHOST SHIP, HEAVE TO NOW!!

NOW LISTEN UP, YOU FAT SLOBS!

MY RPG CAN FLY FASTER THAN ANY MORSE CODE SOS YOU CAN SEND!

TELL 'EM, "SAINT JONES SECURED."

"TAKE HER WHEREVER YOU WANT BEFORE THE LAW SHOWS UP."

ALL RIGHT, BENNY BOY...

CONTACT THE CHAN WAI BANG PEOPLE.

GOTCHA.

LET'S GET BACK TO PORT BY NOON.

ZLASH

THE KOWHAN'S RICE BOWLS SELL OUT QUICKLY.

SZSSH

ZLASH

CHAK

YOU'RE IN CHARGE.

OKAY...

BE CAREFUL OUT THERE.

SO, REVY...

WHERE'D DUTCH GO?

NO CLUE.

I DON'T CARE WHAT HE DOES ON HIS TIME OFF.

FRIENDS ARE HARD TO COME BY WHEN YOU'RE NOSEY, ROCK.

REVY...

I'LL BE OUT FOR A WHILE.

ZENITH

Dickies

...YEAH, IF YOU COULD.

HELLO THERE ...

YEAH, IT'S ME... HOW'S IT GOING?

EDEN CON

KLAK

LIST THE SENDER AS "FLYER'S COMPANY" ...

10013 INTER-NATIONAL... YEAH.

120 THOUSAND U.S...YUP, TO BE WIRED.

HEY, DUTCH !!

SKRCH

...RIGHT...

...YEAH, TALK TO YOU LATER.

NOT TOO BAD, MR. CHEN...

NICE WEATHER, DON'T YOU THINK?

WELL, ISN'T THAT SWELL... BY THE WAY...

HOW'S BUSINESS?

...WORK WITH THAT SLY, FRY-FACED CUNT?

JUST HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO...

THEY'VE GOT NO HONOR AND DON'T PLAY BY THE RULES. AND NOW THEY'RE REACHING OUT INTO THE SHIP-PING ROUTES...

WHOREHOUSES, RACKETEERING, HEROIN SMUGGLING ROUTES...THAT IVAN BITCH SNAGGED 'EM ALL.

ONCE THEY HAVE THAT, ALL OUR ASSES'LL BE HUNG OUT TO DRY.

I'M TALKING ABOUT THAT GODDAMNED RUSSIAN...

EVER SINCE THE RUSSKIES MOVED IN, BUSINESS HAS BEEN HURTIN'... HURTING BAD, DUTCH.

I DON'T GET WHAT YOU'RE SAYING...

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

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BREAK WITH HER, AND DO IT NOW.

WHAT I'M SAYIN' IS, BUTT OUT OF THAT GIG, DUTCH...

WHEN YOU SOLD JUNK TO THE NPA WE WERE THE ONES DOING THE HAULING...

WE HAD SOME BIG PROBLEMS BACK THEN, BUT WHO SKIPPED OUT WHEN THINGS GOT HOT?

I'M IN A GOOD MOOD, SO I'LL TELL YOU SOMETHING, MR. CHEN...

EVEN BAD GUYS GOTTA HAVE SOME PRINCIPLES, YOU DIG?

OH, I SEE...

AT LEAST BALALAIKA IS BETTER AT KEEPING HER WORD THAN YOU ARE.

YOU TRYING TO START SOMETHING AGAIN, DUTCH?

DON'T BRING UP THE PAST LIKE SOME DRIED-UP OLD HAG.

DUTCH!!

...I'M WILLING TO SHIP YOUR GOODS IF YOU AGREE TO MY TERMS.

THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO IT, MR. CHEN.

REGRETS ALWAYS COME LATER, YOU KNOW?

THP

BETTER USE YOUR HEAD IF YOU WANNA STAY AFLOAT, MR. CHEN.

THERE WON'T BE A NEXT TIME IF YOU PULL THAT SHIT AGAIN.

ACK!

SHOOMP

RISE AND SHINE, SAILOR!!

WE GOT WORK TO DO!!

WHERE TO?

JUST A PICK-UP ON SOME EMBEZZLED GOODS AT PHU QUOC ISLAND, COURTESY OF THE VIETNAMESE ARMY.

WE HAD NO PLANS FOR TODAY, ANYWAY... HARD WORK IS ITS OWN REWARD.

VRR

JOB JUST CAME IN.

IT'S A GIG FROM DONNY YEN...

OOM

JEEZ, JUST HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE YOU TO GET DRESSED?

I CAN'T BELIEVE A SLUG LIKE YOU GETS PAID THE SAME AS I DO...

ALL RIGHT! ALL RIGHT ALREADY!

I WEAR THIS BECAUSE I LIKE TO.

IT'S NOT BECAUSE I'M LOW ON FUNDS...

I BOUGHT YOU THAT HAWAIIAN SHIRT AT THE MARKET THE OTHER DAY...

WHAT'D YOU DO WITH IT?

THAT REMINDS ME, ROCK...

JUST LOOK AT ROCK HERE...

...STILL STUCK IN THAT WHITE-COLLAR MONKEY SUIT!!

SMACK

C'MON DUTCH, RUNNING ERRANDS DOESN'T GET US ANYWHERE, DAMN IT!

YOU SAYIN' I GOT NO TASTE OR SOME-THIN'?! WELL?!

EXCUSE ME?!

THRORO

THAT TACKY THING?!

WEARING THAT SHIRT'S NOT A COMPLIMENT, IT'S PUNISHMENT!!

PIP

LOOKS LIKE THEY'VE FALLEN FOR OUR TRAP.

NOW IT'S UP TO YOU, LUAC.

YOU TAKE CARE OF THIS NOW, YOU'LL GET A CUT OF ANY-THING GOING TO KALIMANTAN.

GOOD TIMING CAN MAKE YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE. KEEP THAT IN MIND, ALL RIGHT?

WORD IS, YOUR BUSINESS HAS GONE DOWN THE TOILET LATELY.

THAI NAVY CHASED YOU AROUND AFTER YOU SCREWED UP A RAID, HUH?

REGRETS ALWAYS COME LATER...

LIKE I SAID, DUTCH...

PIP

I GOT IT WRONG...

WAIT...

...AND, LIKE THIS...?

...I... I'M SORRY...

EITHER YOU AREN'T TRYIN', OR...

...YOU MUST HAVE SOME REAL FUCKIN' BUTTER-FINGERS.

JESUS, ROCK...

WHAT DID YOU DO AT THAT JOB?

SO, ROCK ...

C'MON, GIVE ME A BREAK...

I NEVER DID ANYTHING LIKE THIS AT WORK.

MAN, YOU AREN'T CUT OUT FOR THIS!

HERE, I'LL SHOW YOU.

BUT IT SEEMED LIKE MY JOB MAINLY CONSISTED OF BOWING TO EVERYONE.

I'D GO ON BUSINESS TRIPS, PREPARE REPORTS, MAKE PHONE CALLS...

I WAS IN THE MATERIALS PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT.

QUITE A STORY...

MAKES ME WANNA PUKE. WHY'D YOU PUT UP WITH IT? YOU A MASOCHIST OR SOMETHIN'?

ZWIP

AFTER WORK, I'D HAVE TO GO OUT AND DRINK WITH MY SUPERI-ORS...

ONCE, ONE OF THEM GOT SO DRUNK, HE STARTED KICKING ME AROUND.

WHAT I DID IN THE PAST IS NO DIFFERENT FROM WHAT I DO NOW.

SO REVY ...

WHAT DID YOU DO BEFORE THIS?

THAT'S HOW EVERYONE DEALS WITH IT.

PUTTING UP WITH IT IS PART OF THE JOB.

I DIDN'T WANT TO END UP ON THE STREET.

WHAT...

...YOU RAN AROUND NEIGHBORHOOD RIVERS WAVING A CUTLASS WHEN YOU WERE A KID?

...IT'S THE TRUTH.

I STOLE. I KILLED. I DID ALL SORTS OF VILE CRAP.

MY STORY AIN'T WORTH SHIT.

DUTCH?

WHAT?

WE GOT CONTACTS INBOUND.

THEY'RE SMALL BUT FAST.

MY GUESS IS THEY'RE RIVER BOATS.

SHOULDN'T BE ANY COMMERCIAL SHIPPING OR MILITARY TYPES AROUND HERE.

CAN YOU TELL THEIR MAKE?

YEAH, IT STINKS.

KNOW WHAT I'M SAYIN'?

HEY DUTCH...

OH, I LOVE THAT SMELL...

I'D KNOW IT ANYWHERE.

...I SMELL SOME-THING.

...BLOOD AND GUN-SMOKE.

THE STENCH OF...

SPLASH

SPLASH

HELLO? HELLO?!

YOU READ ME, LAGOON?!

THERE'RE NO SHIPS FOR YOU TO PREY ON AROUND HERE.

BETTER HEAD BACK BEFORE YOU GET LOST, LUAC.

DUTCH, IT'S ME...

AIR

BUT I DO SEE ONE, *JAVA BEANS!*

LONG TIME NO SEE.

AIR

I SEE A SHITTY OLD PT BOAT RUNNIN' FOR A FAT STACK OF CASH.

AIR

VROO VROO VROOM

LORD HAVE MERCY ON YOUR UNBRIDLED STUPIDITY, LUAC.

CHEN MUST'VE SWEET-TALKED YOU INTO THIS, DIDN'T HE?

WOW WOW

YOU SMARTASS BASTARD.

LET'S SEE IF A PINT OF LEAD CHANGES YOUR ATTITUDE...

FLANK THAT FUCKER FROM BOTH SIDES!!

CHAN

DAK

!

DAK DAK DAK DAK

YEAARRRGH!

HIT HIT

...RULE NO. 1 IS TO MAKE SURE YOUR UNITS AREN'T IN EACH OTHER'S LINE OF FIRE.

AMATEURS.

KLIK

VHK

BAFOOM

WHEN ATTACKING AN ENEMY IN A CROSS-FIRE...

YOU FUCK!!

VROOM

DON'T GET COCKY !!

VROOM VROOM VROOM

I'LL SEND YOU TO HELL RIGHT NOW!!

LUAC MUST'VE SCROUNGED UP HIS WHOLE GANG FOR THIS RAID.

TWO BOATS COMING AT US FROM 2 O'CLOCK AND 4 O'CLOCK!!

WHUMP

FIRE ARMS
MARINE, LOT-10
DO NOT
ION

YOU'RE UP, TWO HAND.

CHAK

HE'S GOING ALL OUT.

REVY!

IT'S SHOWTIME, CAN YOU MAKE 'EM DANCE?

KCHUNK

HELL YEAH.

AK

WELL, ROCK...

...WATCH AND LEARN!!

CHOK

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO...

...WITH THAT...?

ZGHAAK

YOU GOT IT.

GET ME CLOSE AND KEEP THE BOAT STEADY.

I'LL START WITH THE SHIT AT OUR 2 O'CLOCK.

WOO-HOO!

LET'S DANCE!

We all go down for the sactificial moment.

Crucifixion nails stain the bed of holy

K

TH

ZSH

ZSH

OOM

Space thing diamond studded Sugar Coated!

DA

FUCK

SHIT

SHIT

KILL THAT BITCH !!

SH

OSH

WEO

YEAH!

THAT'S ME!

Electric♪ Head-All OVER ♪

UD

KCHAK

BRAKKA

BRAKKA

BRAKKA

VIRUS

04

BO

OM

KA

BLAM

QUAN!! COME IN, QUAN!!

SHAAA

DO SOME-THING ABOUT THAT BITCH, DAMMIT!!

SHAAA

!

KLANK

ELECTRIC HEAD

♪ we all go down for the GOD of the moment ♪

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DAMN, THAT BITCH IS FAST!!

KILL HER! FUCKIN' KILL HER!

!

THK

♫SUPER DEMON seed running Wild and below♫

FAK

CRUNCH

KBLAM

BRAT

ATAT

SHIT !!

BRRRRT

♪Head trip news turn a trick to the flow.♪

BRRRRT

SPAK

SPAK

SPAK

SPAK

THERE! THERE SHE IS!!

KLNK

KLNK

SHOOT!! CUT HER DOWN!!

THE END

WELL LUAC, SEEMS YOU WERE THE ONE...

...DOING THE CHA-CHA WITH HOT LEAD.

MY...

MY FLEET...!

END OF THE LINE...

BAK

GR RRR

...FUCK!!

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FUCKING BASTARDS !!

VVV

RR

SHIT!

FUCK THIS!

♪ YOU CAN CALL ME HONEY, YOU CAN STEAL MY MONEY ♪

...WITH THESE DEMONS ANYMORE !!

I'M NOT MESSING AROUND ...

VR

RRRR

... HUMAN !!

THEY'RE NOT...

♪ YOU CAN TRY AGAIN AND YOU CAN RRAY PRAY TO HEAVEN ♪

♪ BABE I WON'T POT MY SHOOTER DOWN. ♪

CHCHAK

SHE TOOK THEM OUT ALL BY HERSELF...?

AMAZING...!!

NO SWEAT.

PHUFF!

HE STICKS A BLOWTORCH UP MY ASS AND THEN GETS HIMSELF KILLED!!

THAT MORON!! WHO GAVE BIRTH TO THAT PIECE OF SHIT?!

HOW COULD THAT ASSWIPE LUAC HAVE SCREWED THIS UP?!

SHIT!! I WISH I COULD KILL LUAC ALL OVER AGAIN!!

GOD-DAMN IT!

THUD!

THIS IS UNBELIEV-ABLE!!

I GOTTA GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE BALALAIKA'S DOGS TRACK ME DOWN...

...OR ELSE SHE'LL COOK MY BALLS ALONG WITH MY ASS!

WELL, WELL, WELL...

HARD AT WORK, MR. CHEN?

...BE OF SOME ASSIS-TANCE?

PERHAPS I COULD...

TH

AK

SO...

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU HEARD...

...BUT I'M SURE YOU GOT THIS ALL WRONG. LISTEN, ONCE WE SIT DOWN AND TALK ABOUT IT...

...OVER DINNER, I'M SURE YOU'LL SEE THINGS DIFFERENTLY.

LISTEN TO ME YOU MISERABLE TURD...

THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN TELL ME. I KNOW WHAT I NEED TO KNOW.

START PRAYING.

BECAUSE THAT'S ALL YOU HAVE TIME FOR BEFORE YOU DIE.

FORGET IT? YOU DUMBASS, WE WASTED PERFECTLY GOOD AMMO ON THAT RUN.

THINK OF IT AS GETTING BITTEN BY A STRAY DOG.

C'MON, FORGET IT.

R R RING

OH, MAAAN.

WHAT A WASTE OF TIME. ALL THAT RUNNING AROUND FOR NOTHING.

HEY, THE PHONE'S RINGING.

WHO IS IT?

MS. BALALAIKA.

OH, MR. YAPONSKI? DOING WELL, I TRUST?

HELLO, LAGOON TRADERS.

AH...

JUST A MOMENT.

YAWN

LISTEN, IS DUTCH THERE?

WHO'D YOU HEAR THAT FROM?

HELLO, DUTCH...

OFF ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE, I HEAR. SOMETHING ABOUT CHEN PLAYING GAMES WITH YOU?

WHEN YOU TALK UP A PLAN TO EVERY OUTFIT IN TOWN...

...EVEN THE DEAD WILL CATCH WIND OF IT.

I'LL MAKE SURE THIS WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN. THIS MUST HAVE CAUSED YOU QUITE A HEADACHE.

DEMOLITION CODE MS

HE WAS QUITE TALKATIVE FOR SOMEONE RUNNING A CONSPIRACY.

FROM THE MAN HIMSELF.

Huff!

Huff!

COOLER THAN JAMES BROWN?

KLIK

Dā.

YOU'RE TOO SWEET, DUTCH. NOW THIS WON'T MAKE UP FOR YOUR TROUBLE, BUT...

...I HAVE SOMETHING I THINK YOU'LL LIKE. AS WE SAY IN RUSSIAN, A LITTLE *MUZYKA* FOR YOUR EARS.

NOT REALLY...

NOT EVEN ENOUGH FOR ME TO OPEN MY BOTTLE OF TYLENOL.

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BEEP

BAM

Whoom

maiaysia

maiaysia

TAXI

AH-HA.

I'LL HAVE MORE WORK FOR YOU SOON. I'LL CALL YOU AGAIN.

VERY COOL.

SHE SAYS BUSINESS IS BOOMING...

YEAH...

SO, DUTCH ...

WAS THAT ABOUT BUSINESS?

NONE THAT I KNOW OF.

REVY. ROCK...

YOU GOT ANY PLANS FOR TODAY?

...BUT IT'S NOT LIKE IT CAN'T WAIT.

I NEED TO DO SOME MAINTE-NANCE...

HOW ABOUT YOU, BENNY?

...IT'S MY DUTY AS YOUR EMPLOYER TO PROVIDE YOU WITH SOME RECREATION.

WELL, THEN...

IN LIGHT OF THE PROBLEMS WE ENCOUN-TERED AND THE PSYCHOLOGICAL STRESS IT CAUSED...

WHICH BRINGS ME TO MY POINT...

I'M BUYING, OF COURSE. WHO'S COMING?

I SUGGEST THAT WE HEAD OVER TO THE YELLOW FLAG AND DRINK OUR TROUBLES AWAY.

HOT DAMN! WE DRINKIN' TILL DAWN, DUTCH?!

SURE, I'LL GO.

OH, UH... I'LL GO TOO...

ALL RIGHT! GET THE CAR, BENNY!!

...AND ROCK!! WE'RE OFF THE CLOCK... YOU PUT ON THAT HAWAIIAN SHIRT!!

ALL RIGHT ALREADY! I'LL TALK! I'LL TALK!!

KLAK

HEY...

WAIT!!

Valle De Osellodor, Venezuela

THEY TOOK HIM, ALONG WITH THE HEROIN, LAST WEEK!! THAT'S THE TRUTH!

THE KID'S NOT HERE ANYMORE!

UH... THE...

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...I'VE TOLD YOU EVERY-THING I KNOW!

THEY WERE HEADED FOR SOME THAI MARKET. OKAY, NOW...

C'MON, PUT THE GUN AWAY. ...C'MON!!

NO!!

CLK

SHIFT

Main cabin, Black Lagoon, South China Sea

LET ME OFF THIS SHIP RIGHT NOW!

YOU CAN'T BUY ME OFF WITH THIS, YOU VILLAINS!!

SHUT IT! LET GO OF ME!!

JESUS, REVY, HE'S JUST A KID!

HEY, HEY, HEY!! BACK OFF, REVY!

OH YEAH? WE'RE GONNA HAVE A GOOD TIME NOW...

GRAB

THAT LITTLE PRICK'S GIVING ME THE EYE!!

SQUABBLE

C'MON, LET'S GO UP ON DECK, OKAY?

C'MON, REVY... C'MON...

YOU'RE DEAD MEAT, YOU BRAT!!

STRUGGLE

LET'S FIND OUT WHAT YOU HAD FOR BREAKFAST... HUH?

HM?

WE OUGHTA CHAIN HIM UP AND THROW HIM IN THE HOLD.

AIN'T THAT RIGHT, DUTCH?

JESUS, HOW WAS THAT KID RAISED?!

THE CABIN'S TOO GOOD FOR THAT LITTLE SNOT.

KTHUK

FUCK, THAT KID IS DRIVING ME NUTS!

I TRY TO BE NICE, AND THEN HE GETS ALL FULL OF HIMSELF!! FUCKING RUGRAT!

SHIT, NOW YOU'RE BEING ALL GENTLE-MAN-LIKE?!

REVY, WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE OCEAN.

HE ISN'T GOING ANY-WHERE. NO NEED FOR THAT.

THE KID'S GONNA BE SOLD OFF, SO WE CAN'T HAVE ANYTHING BROKEN IN TRANSIT. WATCH OVER HIM, ALL RIGHT?

THUMP THUMP THUMP

ROCK, DO ME A FAVOR...

A street corner in Roanapur, Thailand

WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?

HUH?

OH, OKAY...

I KNOW THE PLACE.

WOULD YOU BE KIND ENOUGH TO INFORM ME WHERE...

...IS THE ABSOLUTE WORST BAR IN TOWN?

WHAT WAS THE NAME OF THAT DIVE WHERE ALL THE GANGSTERS HANG OUT...?

GUYS... HELP ME OUT...

SPLORCH!

I THINK SOME MUTUAL RESPECT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL...

AT THE VERY LEAST, COULD YOU STOP THROWING FOOD AROUND?

PLOP

PLOP

UM, HOW DO I SAY THIS...

WHILE IT MAY ONLY BE FOR A SHORT WHILE, WE'RE GOING TO BE SHIPMATES.

...

GLIP GLOP

I CAN'T SAY MUCH SINCE I'M A PART OF THIS.

YEAH, WELL YOU MIGHT BE RIGHT...

I SUPPOSE SO...

I'M A SCOUNDREL IN TRAINING, YOU MIGHT SAY.

YOU SEEM DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHERS...

YOU'RE NOT AT ALL LIKE THAT TATTOOED WOMAN AND THAT BLACK GUY... YOU SEEM... ORDINARY.

MUTUAL RESPECT? DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH...

THE BLESSED VIRGIN SEES THROUGH ALL YOUR LIES, YOU SCOUNDREL!

...I'M ABOUT TO BE SOLD OFF TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, AREN'T I?

...WOULDN'T TELL ME ANYTHING BUT...

THE MANISALERA CARTEL MEN...

BUT THERE'S NOTHING I CAN SAY THAT WILL CHANGE THINGS.

...ARE YOU SCARED?

...

THERE'RE PARTS OF THIS JOB I DON'T LIKE EITHER.

I'M NOT SCARED.

BECAUSE I KNOW...

...MY FATHER WILL COME HELP ME.

YOUR FATHER ?

I THOUGHT YOU WERE AN ORPHAN...

DID THOSE CARTEL MEN TELL YOU THAT? THAT'S ALL LIES.

LOOK, YOU MIGHT BE TRYING TO GET PITY OUT OF ME...

...BUT IF YOU'RE GOING TO LIE, YOU'LL HAVE TO DO BETTER THAN THAT.

MY FATHER IS A MEMBER OF THE PROUD 13 FAMILIES OF SOUTH AMERICA.

HIS NAME IS DIEGO LOVELACE AND HE'S THE 11TH HEAD OF THE FAMILY!

PITY? THAT'S STUPID.

WHAT'S THE POINT OF LYING AT A TIME LIKE THIS?

JEEZ, YOU'RE A HARDASS FOR A KID...

WHERE DID YOU GET THE NAME LOVELACE ANYWAY?

THEY'RE THE FAMILY THAT'S THE WORST OFF OUT OF THE 13.

SURE, IT MAKES YOUR STORY MORE CREDIBLE, BUT...

I'M NEXT IN LINE OF SUCCESSION... I'M HIS ONLY SON, GARCIA LOVELACE.

BUT WE WERE DOING FINE ON OUR OWN.

SQUEEZE

YEAH, I KNOW OUR FAMILY ISN'T DOING THAT GREAT THESE DAYS.

...

WE WEREN'T WELL OFF, BUT OUR PLANTATION WAS DOING WELL.

MY FATHER ...

HE WAS THE OLD-FASHIONED TYPE, AND DIDN'T START ANY UNNECESSARY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES.

THEY WANTED TO BUY US OFF OUR LAND.

THEN THEY FOUND OUT ABOUT THE RARE-EARTH DEPOSITS FROM THE GEOLOGY SURVEYS.

ALL THAT CHANGED WHEN THOSE GANGSTERS CAME.

BUT MY FATHER STILL WOULDN'T AGREE TO THEIR TERMS.

AND THAT'S WHY I'M HERE.

THEY SHOWED THEIR TRUE COLORS WHEN MY FATHER REFUSED TO DEAL WITH THEM.

THEY BEGAN HARASSING OUR PLANTATION IN DIFFERENT WAYS...

ALL RIGHT THEN, WHAT WILL MAKE YOU BELIEVE ME?

NOT EASILY, NO.

IN MY LINE OF WORK, IT'S EASY TO GET DUPED.

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT RARE-EARTH ELEMENTS?

YOU STILL DON'T BELIEVE ME, DO YOU?

FINE. I DON'T CARE.

...RARE EARTH?

WHERE DID YOU LEARN WORDS LIKE THAT?

IT BELONGS IN THE SAME GROUP AS SCANDIUM AND YTTRIUM. IS THAT ENOUGH?

FOR START-ERS, IT'S USED AS A BONDING MEDIUM FOR CERAMICS.

ATOMIC NUMBER 71.

THE ELEMENT THAT'S IN OUR LAND IS LUTETIUM.

...ALL RIGHT, NEXT QUESTION.

THE LOVELACE FAMILY HAS A DOG.

HE BECAME PART OF OUR FAMILY SIX YEARS AGO.

BOY, YOU ARE A SKEPTIC...

THAT'S AN EASY ONE...

DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING...

...ABOUT THAT DOG?

NOW DO YOU BELIEVE ME?

HE'S A WHITE VOLPINO ITALIANO.

HIS NAME IS LAZARUS.

THERE'S SOME STRANGE SHIT GOIN' ON HERE.

NOW, THAT'S ODD.

THE CARTEL PEOPLE ARE LYING.

WHEN THEY'RE LYING, THAT MEANS THERE'S TROUBLE BREWING.

DUTCH...

IT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA TO HEAD BACK TO PORT.

OR GET HIS ORGANS HARVESTED. NO WAY OUT OF IT.

KCHK

REAL SAD STORY...

THE KID'LL END UP AS SOME PERVERT'S SEX-TOY...

...IT'S NOT OUR PROBLEM. NOT OUR PROBLEM, CHIEF.

THE EARTH WON'T STOP SPINNING EVEN WHEN JUSTICE DIES.

CHCHAK

BUT HEY...

...JUST AS LONG AS WE'RE WELL PAID...

HEY, ROCK...

YOU SURE IT'S NOT YOUR BLEED-ING HEART DOING THE TALKIN'?

CHCHAK

CHCHAK

SHWING

I JUST DO WHAT YOU SAY, DUTCH.

EITHER WAY, IT'S DUTCH'S CALL.

I'D BE LYING IF I SAID I DIDN'T FEEL SORRY FOR THE KID.

ON THE OTHER HAND, HAVING A CLIENT LIE TO US DOES BOTHER ME.

ROCK...

THE STORY YOU GOT OUT OF THAT KID... IS IT REALLY TRUE?

WHAT THE BOY SAID ABOUT THE LOVELACE FAMILY DOES HOLD WATER.

THE SOUTH AMERICAN OFFICE HAD DOSSIERS ON ALL THOSE FAMILIES.

I WAS IN THE MATERIALS PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT IN MY LAST JOB.

I KNOW A LOT ABOUT RARE-EARTH ELEMENTS AND METALS.

I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE LIES...

BUT SELLING OFF THE KID... I GOT A HUNCH ABOUT THAT.

SNATCH THE KID AND THEY COULD GET WHAT THEY WANT THROUGH EXTORTION.

WHAT'S THE POINT OF ALL THE LIES AND SELLING HIM OFF?

BUT I DON'T GET IT.

THERE'S NOTH-ING THAT GETS MOBSTERS FROTHING LIKE HAVING SHIT SLAPPED IN THEIR FACES.

RIGHT?

IT'S 'CUZ THEY GOT PISSED OFF. REALLY PISSED.

YOU KNOW HOW IT IS WITH THEM...

SOUNDS LIKE WE MIGHT WANT A BACKUP PLAN.

I'LL ASK BALALAIKA IF SHE CAN GET ME MORE INFO ON THIS JOB.

IMAGINE THAT...

YOU RARELY COME TO ME FOR HELP.

ACTUALLY I WAS ALREADY PLANNING TO ASK YOU TO DO A JOB FOR ME RELATED TO THE MANISALERA CARTEL.

RATHER REMARKABLE TIMING, ISN'T IT?

SORRY ABOUT THIS. I OWE YOU ONE.

BUT KEEP IT ON THE DOWN-LOW, ALL RIGHT?

SW

WELL, I NEED MORE DETAILS ON THE MANISALERA CARTEL AND THE LOVELACE FAMILY.

CAN YOU DO IT?

PUFF
PUFF

IN OUR LINE OF WORK, WHEN THE SHIT HITS THE FAN...

...IT'S NOTHING SHORT OF A RAVAGING TYPHOON. YOU KNOW THAT.

SORRY...

...BUT I CAN'T HELP YOU THERE.

I'LL GET YOU YOUR DOSSIER BY THIS AFTERNOON OR EVENING. WANT IT AT YOUR OFFICE?

FINE, FINE...

LOOK, JUST TRY TO KEEP THINGS COOL. PLEASE.

ACTUALLY ...

...CAN YOU BRING IT TO ME AT THE YELLOW FLAG?

YELLOW FLAG

THUD

WE DON'T SERVE MILK HERE...

SARS

THUMP

KTOK

ABION DE LAS CASAZ

...THEN PERHAPS SOME WATER?

THIS IS A BAR...

YOU ORDER BOOZE IN A BAR, DIPSHIT.

KIND SIR, I'VE ONLY COME TO ROANAPUR JUST TODAY...

KL ONK

LOOK, SIS...

DOES THIS PLACE LOOK LIKE AN UNEMPLOYMENT OFFICE OR A TOURIST BUREAU TO YOU?

OF COURSE NOT.

SCRAPE

MIGHT YOU KNOW...

...WHERE THEIR OFFICES WOULD BE?

AS SUCH, I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH YOUR CUSTOMS YET.

I WAS HOPING TO RELY UPON MY COLOMBIAN ACQUAINTANCES FOR ASSIS-TANCE.

GIMME A COLA, BAO.

BUMP

FUCK, NO. IT'S NOT FOR ME, YOU JACKASS.

WHAT? YOU JOINED THE WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION?

DOES MY FACE AMUSE YOU OR SOMETHIN'?

WELL?

WHAT?

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKIN' AT?

IT'S NOTHING ...

...

NO...

PISS OFF, ASSHOLE.

SMASH

SAPS

THEN DON'T STARE WHEN YOU SHOULD BE DRINKING, SHITHEAD.

KRICH

CHRIST...

SHE'S THE BITCH QUEEN TODAY.

JEEZ, REVY...

YOU'RE IN A GOOD MOOD... WHAT GIVES?

THIS BEER MUG SEEMS TO BE CRACKED...

SCATTER

...ANOTHER GLASS?

SCATTERSCATTER

KIND SIR. MAY I HAVE...

FROM DUS

ROBERT RODRIGUEZ & QUENT TARAT

ON LINE

PLO

BOOM

BLNK

I DON'T REMEMBER BEING PAID TO BABYSIT, DUTCH.

CHRIST, REVY, I'VE SEEN KIDS ACT MORE MATURE.

HELL, YOU WERE A KID ONCE TOO, WEREN'T YOU?

FUCK THIS SHIT!

THERE! YOU HAPPY NOW?!

YOU WHINE AGAIN, AND YOU'RE DEAD MEAT!

YOU GONNA GO WORK AT THIS BRAT'S MANSION, ROCK?

WHAT...? YOU TOO?

ENOUGH ALREADY !

BUT PAY ME ENOUGH AND I'LL CHANGE HIS DIAPERS ANYTIME.

GLUK

OH REALLY ...?

I APPRECIATE THAT. NO REALLY.

MIGHT SUIT YOU BETTER THAN WORKIN' SHIPS...

YEAH, I CAN SEE IT NOW, ROCK, THE PALE-FACED BUTLER.

MUST BE NICE, LIVIN' LARGE... SURROUNDED BY DOZENS OF SERVANTS, 'N LACKEYS...

LIKE THE SONG "OLD BLACK JOE," WOULDN'T CHA KNOW!

YOU'LL STRUT AROUND THE MANSION, GOING, "MASTER, WOULD YOU CARE FOR A MINT JULEP?" OR SOME SHIT.

WE ONLY HAVE ONE ATTENDANT AROUND OUR HOUSE.

REVY, GIVE IT A REST!!

BUT...

HER NAME IS ROBERTA AND SHE'S A MAID.

ALTHOUGH SHE'S OUR MAID, SHE'S NOT GOOD AT COOKING OR CLEANING.

IF YOU TOOK ON ROBERTA...

...YOU WOULDN'T STAND A CHANCE!

PFFFT

...UH...

HAVE YOU ACTUALLY SEEN HER FIGHT SOMEONE, GARCIA?

BWA HA HA HA

SNORT

...I'D BELIEVE YOU IF YOU TOLD ME JESUS HIMSELF WAS ON A CHOPPER ROARING DOWN ROUTE 66!!

SHIT, IF SHE KICKS THAT MUCH ASS...

BAM BAM

HAH HAH HAH

BWA-HAHAH AHA! I GIVE YOU SHIT AND THAT'S WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY?!

WHAT'S SHE GONNA DO? TOSS TEA SETS AT ME?

YEE HEE HAR HAR HAR

HA HA HA HA

NO...

BUT THERE WAS THIS TIME...

HEY CHICA...

YOU AND I NEED TO TALK.

ROBERTA WOULD ARM WRESTLE ME FOR FUN ALL THE TIME.

AND ROBERTA WOULD ALWAYS LOSE.

WORD ON THE STREET...

...IS THAT SOME CRAZY BITCH IN A BIZARRE MAID OUTFIT'S ASKING AROUND ABOUT US COLOMBIANS.

SO THE WHOLE GANG CAME TO GREET YOU IN PERSON.

ONE DAY...

ROBERTA AND I WERE ARM WRESTLING AGAIN.

I DIDN'T KNOW IT AT THE TIME...

BUT SOME GANGSTERS CAME BY, WANTING TO MAKE TROUBLE.

YOU ONLY SEE A CRAZY OUTFIT LIKE THAT ON MASTERPIECE THEATER OR SOMETHIN'.

WALK AROUND IN A GET-UP LIKE THAT IN THIS TOWN, PEOPLE'LL NOTICE...

WHAT'S YOUR GAME? WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?

I ONLY FOUND OUT ABOUT THIS LATER...

...BUT ROBERTA WAS THE ONLY ONE THAT NOTICED THEM.

THE MOMENT SHE FOUND OUT ABOUT THEM, SHE WENT STIFF.

I TRIED TO FORCE HER ARM BACK WITH MY USUAL STRENGTH, BUT HER ARM WAS LIKE STEEL.

KCHK

THAT'S WHEN I REALIZED...

...ROBERTA WAS LOSING ON PURPOSE.

THERE WAS SOME REASON SHE WAS PRETENDING TO BE A FRAIL MAID.

THE

...AS IT SO HAPPENS, IT WAS MY INTENT TO BE EASILY LOCATED.

YOU ARE AFFILIATED WITH THE MANISALERA CARTEL, I ASSUME?

I AM A SERVANT IN THE EMPLOY OF THE LOVELACE FAMILY.

THE

...AS MY ACTIONS MIGHT BE CONSIDERED IMPOLITE.

...BUT YOU MUST EXCUSE ME...

THERE ARE CERTAIN MATTERS THAT I MUST ASK YOU ABOUT...

...LEAVING ME STRUG-GLING TO MAINTAIN PROPER DECORUM.

YOU MUST FORGIVE ME.

JUST NOW...

...A CERTAIN UPSETTING INCIDENT TRANSPIRED...

HAHA

HA HA

BITCH SAYS SHE MIGHT HAVE TO GET "IMPOLITE" ON US!

NOW, THAT'S A LAUGH!

SO, WHATCHA GONNA TO DO, CHICA?!

...

HEHEH...

WILL YOU GET A LOAD OF THIS!

HA HA

KRAK

VERY WELL...

BON APPÉTIT.

ONE

THAT'S...
RO...
?

WHOOOSH

WHAA

THAT'S ROBERTA...

AAT?!

FLIPP

CAPTAIN...

HERE IS THE REPORT ON THE LOVELACE FAMILY.

AN ARISTOCRATIC HOUSEHOLD THAT'S FALLEN ON HARD TIMES. THE WIFE PASSED AWAY FOUR YEARS AGO.

THE PHOTOGRAPH SHOWS DIEGO, THE FAMILY HEAD-AND GARCIA, HIS ONLY SON-AND THEIR ONLY SERVANT.

...

THEY SPELL TROUBLE...

I DON'T LIKE HER EYES, BORIS...

NOTICE ANYTHING?

TAKE A LOOK.

COMRADE SERGEANT ...

CORRECT, SERGEANT. BUT IT'S WORSE THAN THAT.

...

SHE'S A *SOLDAT.**

*SOLDIER

WHAT?

400

MUCH WORSE...

SHE'S A GENUINE MAD DOG.

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THWP

YOU FUCKING BITCH!!

CHK-CHK

KCHK

YOU...

AK

F WA

THD

KSHAK

SHE GETS NO MERCY, COMPRENDE ?!

YOU ARE MORE THAN WELCOME TO TRY.

BUT I DOUBT YOU CAN.

WASTE THE BITCH!!

CHK-CHK

KSHAK

BANG

BLAM

KLCHAK

WHOOSH

SHIK

FWIP

VPP VPP

SHIT... WHAT THE HELL?!

KBAM KBAM

VPP

FUCK, THAT UMBRELLA MUST BE MADE OF KEVLAR!!

THP THP

KBAM

COME OOOOON!

BOOM

BOOM

BLAM

BOSS, THIS AIN'T GOOD!!

CONTACT ESCOBAR AND...!!

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

OH

KOOM

POP POP POP

GOOD FOR US THEY'RE AT EACH OTHER'S THROATS.

I SAY WE GET THE HELL OUT OF HERE WHILE WE CAN.

BOOM BOOM

BK

KBLAM BLAM

AND GO WHERE?

WE'LL HEAD OUT TO THE COAST OF PHUKET FOR SOME FISHING OR SOMETHING UNTIL THINGS CALM DOWN.

I'M NO GIULIANO GEMMA...I DON'T DIG SHOOTOUTS AS A CHASER FOR MY DRINKS.

BLAM

¡Nieds maTaro!

BLAM BDOOM

KBANG

KBOOM

TK

KRASH

WELL?

WE GONNA THROW DOWN OR WHAT?

THD THD THD

SPLCH

REVY'S GOT A GOOD POINT. LET'S MAKE A DECISION.

AGREED.

BETTER TO AVOID A FIGHT IF WE CAN.

KBL

AK

WE'RE LEAVING THE KID BEHIND.

BUT THE KID'S WORTH MONEY, DUTCH.

I'M NOT WALK-ING AROUND WITH A LAND MINE AIMED RIGHT AT ME.

HE'S A KID, NOT A PILE OF GOLD.

WE'RE LEAVING HIM, GOT IT?

CLAP

...!

OKAY...

WHEN THINGS CALM DOWN...

...YOU AND YOUR MAID HEAD BACK TO VENEZUELA, UNDERSTAND?

YOU STAY PUT UNTIL ALL THE SHOOTING'S STOPPED.

GARCIA, LISTEN.

DAMN, DAMN, FUCK...!

ROCK!!

...DIDN'T KNOW ROBERTA WAS LIKE THAT...

IT'S NOT LIKE HER TO KILL PEOPLE... SHE'S NOT AT ALL LIKE THAT...!

I...

I DIDN'T...

...

RRR...

KCHKK

KBOP

SHUFFLE

KEEP YOUR HEAD DOWN.

KBANG

TCHK

KBANG

TCHK

POW

RUN FOR IT ONCE WE GET TO THE DOOR.

THEY'RE NOT MY FRIENDS, BAO, YOU STUPID FUCK!!

REVY, GODDAMMIT, GET YOUR FRIENDS OUT OF-!!

TWITCH

TWITCH

GLIMPSE

FRE

EZE

WHERE'S THE CARGO... THE KID?!

YOU SHOULD'VE SHIPPED HIM OFF BY NOW!!

REVY?!

WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

YOUNG MASTER ...

ROBERTA...

RO...

TOK

...

...IT IS ONLY NATURAL THAT YOU MIGHT FIND ME FRIGHTENING.

I SHALL EXPLAIN ALL THIS LATER.

I HAVE SOME AFFAIRS I MUST ATTEND TO. PLEASE WAIT A MOMENT.

I NEVER EXPECTED TO FIND YOU HERE, YOUNG MASTER.

MASTER LOVELACE IS EXTREMELY WORRIED ABOUT YOU.

KSHCUNK

KLUNK

ROBERTA! WAIT!!

AW SHIT...

SHE SAW US...

...AND WHO MIGHT THIS BE?

THK!

BACK OFF, MS. HOUSEMAID.

I'M GUESSIN' EVERYONE HERE'D RATHER BE LIVING AND BREATHING THAN SIX FEET UNDER.

YOU'RE NO DIFFERENT, ARE YA?

KCHAK

SHUT UP!

STOP IT... YOU'RE ACTING LIKE THE BAD GUYS!!

WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA? QUIT IGNORING ME, YOU FUCKS!

I AIN'T DONE WITH YOU YET! YOU GOT IT?!

NO MORE STUPID FIRE-FIGHTS AND JUNIOR HERE WILL BE JUST FINE.

YOU DON'T WANT HIS BRAINS BLOWN OUT, RIGHT?

...I'M CONSIDER-ING YOUR OFFER.

HOWEVER, I INTEND TO CARRY OUT MY DUTIES AS STIPULATED BY THE LOVELACE FAMILY CREED.

I'M AFRAID I CAN'T ABIDE BY YOUR WISHES.

THE YOUNG MASTER WILL RETURN HOME IN GOOD HEALTH.

PARA LOS QUE VIVEN, BENDICIONES.
(TO THE LIVING, BESTOW UPON THEM CHARITY.)

PARA LOS MUERTOS, UN LECHO DE FLORES.
(TO THE DEAD, LAY UPON THEM FLOWERS.)

CON ESTA ESPADA IMPARTIRÉ JUSTICIA...
(TO EXECUTE JUSTICE, I TAKE UP THIS SWORD...)

KCHK

WHO

GOLPEANDO CON FUERZA A LOS VILLANOS PARA MATARLOS EN CASTIGO.
(TO SMITE UPON VILE ROGUES AND DELIVER DEATH AS PUNISHMENT.)

KA

K!

DÉJANOS LLEGAR...
(THUS LET US ARRIVE...)

...AL ALTAR DE LOS SANTOS.
(...AT THE ALTAR OF SAINTS.)

KK

FOR I VOW UPON THE NAME OF SANTA MARIA...

...TO STRIKE DOWN UPON ANY AND ALL UN-RIGHTEOUSNESS.

CHIK

CHIK

MOD 92F

9mm SWORD

BANG

BANG

BANG

BANG

JUMP

SNAP OUT OF IT!!

REVY! C'MON REVY!

SHAKE SHAKE

REVY!

...GAVE HER A CONCUSSION.

IT'S ONLY A FLESH WOUND IN HER SHOULDER...

BUT THE IMPACT OF THE BULLET...

DASH

SHIT!!

THAT WOMAN IS NUTS.

THIS MAKES KHE-SANH* LOOK LIKE A SUNDAY PICNIC.

REVY!!

WHOOOSH

* ONE OF THE MOST INTENSE BATTLES WAGED IN THE VIETNAM WAR.

BE-

BOOM

BOOM

RUM

LET'S GO!!

RUN!

RR

RUN AIR

GRAB!

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SHOO

...TAKE ME WITH YOU.

YOUNG MASTER!!

CHUNK!!

SHIT

"I VOW UPON THE NAME OF SANTA MARIA..." YEAH, YOU'RE HARDCORE...

YEAH...

NOW I REMEMBER... THAT SPIEL OF YOURS...

HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!!

CHK CHK

SOCOM

YOU'RE "EL SABUESO DE FLORENCIA."*

SINCE YOU CUT OUT OF FARC FOUR YEARS AGO...

EVERYBODY FROM THE MEDELLÍN CARTELS TO INTERPOL'S BEEN AFTER YOUR ASS!!

SHIT, JESUS HIMSELF WOULDN'T HAVE GUESSED YOU WERE STILL ALIVE...!

* THE BLOODHOUND OF FLORENCIA

K-CHIK CHIKK

AHAHA HAHA!

I JUST HIT THE JACK-POT!!

AFTER I BRING 'EM YOUR HEAD ON A PLATE, THEY'LL MAKE ME BONA-FIDE MEDELLÍN LIEUTENANT!!

THE CARTEL'S PUT A 4-MILLION-DOLLAR BOUNTY ON YOUR HEAD.

"DEAD OR ALIVE" NO LESS.

PROBABLY DID ALL SORTS OF NASTY SHIT FOR THEM. MEANS THEY DON'T WANT YOU TALKIN', RIGHT?

FOLA

I REGRET WE MUST PART COMPANY.

BUT PLEASE ACCEPT MY FAREWELL GIFT...

IT SEEMS...

...I NO LONGER HAVE A REASON TO LET YOU LIVE.

THK

KTHOK KTHOK

TONK TONK

I NOW BID YOU...

...GOOD DAY.

KLNK

KLNK

KLNK

BOOM

WHO

OOM

NOW'S OUR CHANCE! LET'S GO!!

O

...I DON'T BELIEVE IT.

THIS CAN'T BE FOR REAL.

FW

TAKT

WHOOO

WELL I DO...

IT MUST BE A KILLING MACHINE FROM THE FUTURE.

BUT IT'S NOT SCHWARZENEGGER!

...

VERY FUNNY, ROCK. I'M NOT LAUGHING.

OOO

ZZRR

KRKRKR

DA

WHSSK

SH

SCHLIN

RR R

RRWA

THP

CH

WH

RRR

RSH

BA NG

KRKK

ROCK, STAY DOWN!!

VSHAKK

HHBAM

BANG

WS

HAK!

BLAM BLAM BLAM

AAAAAAGH!

BANG BANG BANG

BANG

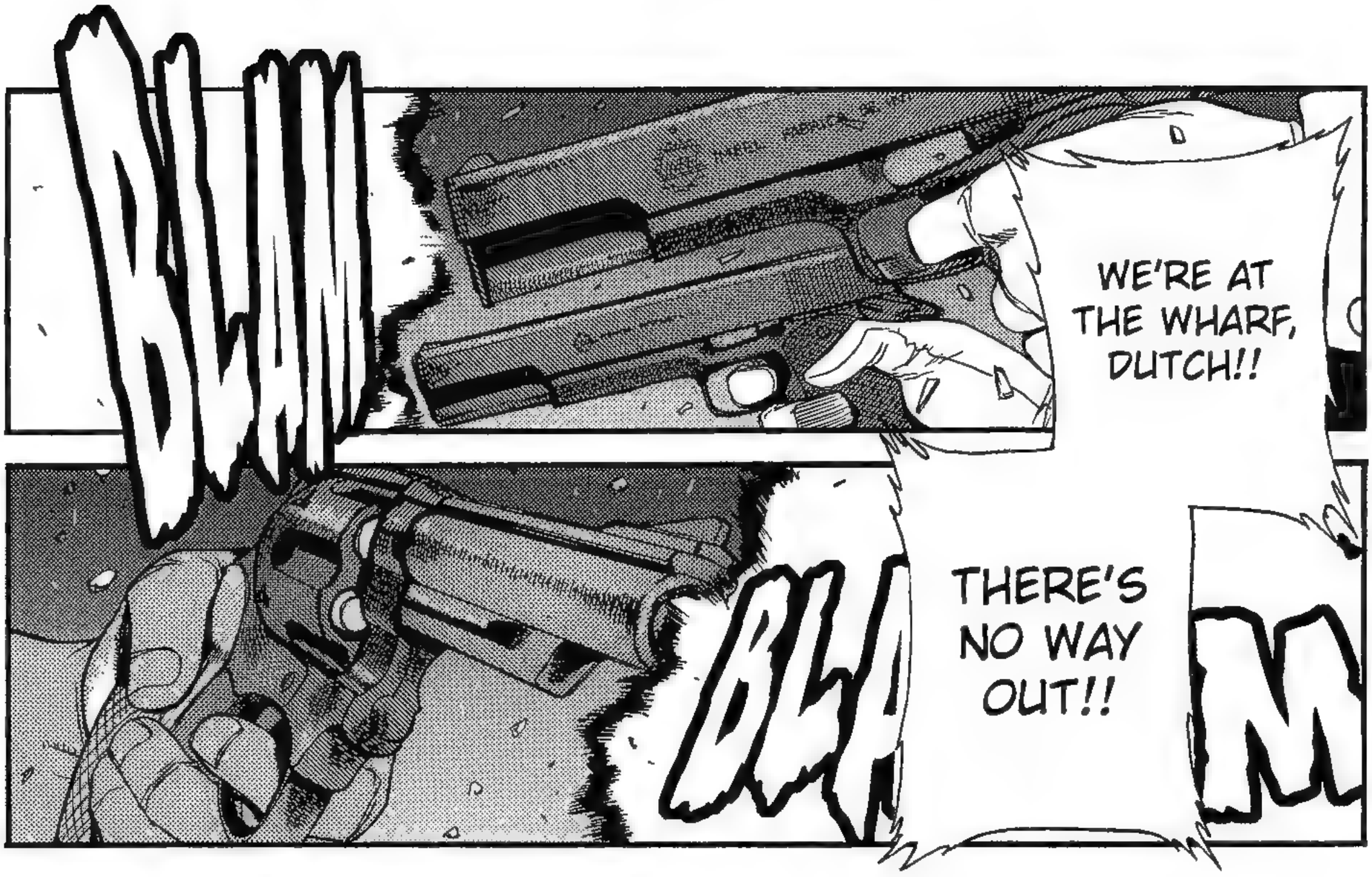
VRR RR

ROANAPUR PORT

DUTCH, WE'RE AT THE WHARF!

DEAD END!! WHAT DO WE DO?!

ACK



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CRNCH

OH...

...SHIIIT!!

KR EEEE

ROGER...

WHAT SHOULD I TELL BAO?

KRKR

JUST GOT A REPORT ON A PLYMOUTH GOING DOWN MAIN STREET HEADED FOR THE PORT TEN MINUTES AGO.

KLIK

WHAT'S THE SITU-ATION?

TELL HIM NOT TO WORRY.

I WILL LEAD A UNIT TO THE PORT. CONTINUE SIT-REP EVERY TEN MINUTES.

SECURE THE AREA, CORPORAL. CONTINUE GATHERING INTELLIGENCE.

THE YELLOW FLAG IS HALF-DEMOL-ISHED.

THE HOUND AND THE CREW OF THE LAGOON ARE MISSING.

KTHO

YES SIR. OVER AND OUT.

THO KTHO

THO KTHO

THAT IS ALL.

THO

I CAN'T SAY.

BUT IT NEVER HURTS TO BE CAREFUL.

CAPTAIN...

WILL THIS BE A PROPER FIGHT? IT'S BEEN A WHILE... PLAYING MAFIA TENDS TO MAKE US LAZY AND SLOW.

WE CANNOT STAND IDLY BY.
WELL AT LEAST WE OWE DUTCH A GREAT DEBT.
WE OWE THE LAGOON TRADERS...
FORWARD, COMRADE SOLDIERS...
COCK THE HAMMER... IT'S TIME FOR ACTION!

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I THINK WE'RE ALL RIGHT BACK HERE.

WHAT ABOUT REVY?

...STILL UNCON-SCIOUS. HOW ARE YOU GUYS?

...

...IT'S ALMOST ENOUGH TO MAKE ME GET RELIGIOUS.

IF YOU'RE ALIVE, SOUND OFF.

HIS

SSSS

SSS

...OH. MY. GOD...

WHAT THE HELL IS SHE MADE OF?

ZZRK

BWH

OOM

TWITCH

AAAAAAAAAAA!!

WOMP

THIS FUCKING HURTS LIKE HELL!! I'M GONNA KILL THAT FUCKING BITCH!!

FUCK!

FUCK!

YOU'RE IN LUCK.

STILL ALIVE AND KICKING.

WHERE IS THAT GODDAMNED SKANK!! WELL?! WELL?!!

IS SHE DEAD? IS SHE STILL ALIVE?! WELL?!

AND

KCHKK

ROCK...

RIGHT NOW MY NEEDLE'S A HAIR SHORT OF THE RED ZONE.

ONCE IT'S THERE, YOU WON'T GET A FUCKING WARNING BEFORE I DRILL YOU ANOTHER ASSHOLE.

YOU GOT IT, RIGHT?! YEAH...SURE YOU DO...

RATTLE

RATTLE

RATTLE

REVY, WAIT...!

SHE'S GOING TO PAY LIKE YOU CAN'T IMAGINE, ROCK...

THAT PIECE SHE TOOK OUTTA ME...

...IS GONNA COST HER BIG TIME...

KCHKK

...JUST HOW DEARLY IT'S GOING TO COST HER.

SHE'S ABOUT TO FIND OUT...

SHOO

WI

SHHH

R

O

OOO

O

GO AHEAD, SEÑORITA. DRAW.

WHAT'S WRONG? YOU GOT THE SHAKES?

SMIRK

...TO BE AFRAID.

MY DEAR, YOU MUSTN'T FEEL ASHAMED...

SNAP

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

KBAM

KBAM

KBAM

KBAM

WHO

DID

KAC

HI

AK

остановитесь!
(HALT!)

THERE'S NO GAIN TO BE MADE FROM THIS.

COME NOW, DON'T YOU THINK IT'S TIME...

...YOU TWO GAVE IT A REST.

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KLA CH AK

I HAVE SOME GOOD NEWS FOR YOU, MS. CHAMBERMAID ...

KLAK

HOTEL MOSCOW PLANNED ALL ALONG TO WAGE WAR AGAINST THE MANISALERA CARTEL.

MY JOB WAS TO NEUTRALIZE THEIR THAI OPERATION... BUT YOU'VE SAVED ME THE TROUBLE.

KLAK

...SHOULD BE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING CRUSHED.

RIGHT ABOUT NOW, THE HEAD-QUARTERS OF THE CARTEL IN VENEZUELA...

CHRIST, IT'S LIKE BEING AT GROUND ZERO IN NEVADA.

WE'VE GOT THE THREE MOST FEARSOME WOMEN IN THE WORLD HERE.

THERE'S NO REASON WHY YOU TWO SHOULD FIGHT.

SO, EVERY-THING HAS WORKED OUT.

THE ABDUCTION OF YOUR BELOVED GARCIA IS A MOOT POINT.

MY SENTI-MENTS EXACTLY.

I COULDN'T FUCKING CARE LESS.

BRA TATATA TA

OH DEAR. WELL...

KLNK

THIS ISN'T A REQUEST. IT'S AN *ORDER.*

PERHAPS I DIDN'T MAKE MYSELF CLEAR.

KLNK

KLNK

KCH UNK

HEY...

WAIT, GARCIA!

THUD

...ROBERTA.

IT'S OKAY, ROBERTA.

SEE? I'M FINE. SO, PLEASE... CAN WE GO HOME?

I...

I DON'T WANT TO...

...SEE YOU WAVING GUNS AROUND LIKE THAT.

I WONDER HOW "THE BLOOD-HOUND" FEELS ABOUT IT?

I AGREE, MY DEAR.

BUT...

DO NOT SAY ANOTHER WORD!!

MY DEAR, YOU DIDN'T KNOW? WE HAVE HERE–

OH...

"THE BLOOD-HOUND?"

KLIK

SILENCE...

...'HOUND.

...FORMER FARC GUERRILLA TRAINED IN ASSASSINATION OPS IN CUBA. WANTED INTERNATIONALLY FOR MULTIPLE KIDNAPPING AND MURDER CHARGES.

...EVEN SUSPECTED OF LINKS TO THE U.S. EMBASSY BOMBING AT TEGUCIGALPA. A TRUE, DYED-IN-THE-WOOL TERRORIST.

THIS IS NO ORDINARY SERVANT.

SHE'S ROSARITA TISNEROS, THE "BLOODHOUND OF FLORENCIA..."

I...

I NEVER INTENDED TO DECEIVE YOU, YOUNG MASTER.

BUT PLEASE ...

YOU MUST UNDERSTAND... THERE ARE THINGS IN THIS WORLD THAT IT'S BETTER YOU NOT KNOW ABOUT...

ZAK

IS... THIS...

...TRUE, ROBERTA?

I BELIEVED IN OUR CAUSE... BELIEVED IN THE COMING DAWN OF THE REVOLUTION...

I FOUGHT MANY BATTLES...I KILLED COUNTLESS PEOPLE, ONE AFTER ANOTHER... POLITICIANS, BUSINESS-MEN, COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY FACULTY...WOMEN... EVEN CHILDREN...

BUT AFTER DRENCHING SO MANY NIGHTS WITH BLOOD, I FINALLY REALIZED SOMETHING...

I WAS FAR FROM BEING A REVOLUTIONARY. I WAS NOTHING MORE THAN A GUARD-DOG, BOUND TO GANG-STERS AND THEIR COCAINE FIELDS...

EVERYTHING SHE SAID IS TRUE, YOUNG MASTER.

I...

THEY SOLD THEIR SOULS OUT OF GREED...

...CLAIMING "ONE CANNOT ACHIEVE A SOCIALIST REVOLUTION BY IDEALISM ALONE."

FARC ALLIED THEMSELVES WITH THE CARTELS...

IRONIC, ISN'T IT?

I DESERTED THE MILITIA...

YOUNG MASTER, YOUR FATHER, DIEGO GARCIA, WAS A CLOSE FRIEND OF MY LATE FATHER.

THAT WAS WHEN YOUR FATHER WAS KIND ENOUGH TO TAKE ME IN...

TO BE A "BLOOD-HOUND..."

...OR BE A "GUARD DOG"...

AS SOMEONE WHO WAS ONCE SEEN ONLY AS AN OBEDIENT DOG...

...THIS IS THE ONLY WAY I CAN RE-PAY MY DEBT.

YOUNG MASTER ...

...I KNEW OF ONLY ONE WAY I COULD COME TO YOUR RESCUE.

I HAD TO BECOME A SOLDIER WITH A HEART OF STEEL ONCE MORE. TO ONCE AGAIN TAKE UP THE IDENTITY I HAD LONG AGO CAST ASIDE.

YOU'RE NOT A DOG!!

YOU'RE PART OF MY FAMILY! WE'RE A FAMILY, ROBERTA, AREN'T WE?!

DON'T SAY THAT ABOUT YOUR-SELF!!

YOU'RE...

AND SHE MADE AMENDS FOR HER SINS BEFORE SHE DIED!!

YOU'RE NOT SOME "BLOOD-HOUND"!! WHOEVER THAT PERSON WAS, SHE DIED SOME-WHERE ELSE!!

SO PLEASE... CAN WE GO HOME NOW?

RIGHT?

THAT'S ...

THAT'S WHY THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU, ROBERTA.

A BOY MUSTN'T SHED TEARS SO EASILY...

...

MY DEAR YOUNG MASTER ...

WELL THEN...

I THINK IT'S SAFE TO SAY THIS HAS ALL BEEN WORKED OUT.

NO OFFENSE, MA'AM, BUT BLOW ME.

YEAH SURE, THESE TWO MIGHT HAVE THEIR FUCKIN' HAPPY ENDING...

BUT...

...WHAT ABOUT THIS NASTY HOLE IN MY SHOULDER... WHO'S GONNA FILL THAT IN?

HOLD ON THERE, MA'AM...

YOU COULD JUST GRIN AND BEAR IT.

SHIT, THAT'S EASY TO FIX.

DUKE IT OUT WITH EACH OTHER UNTIL IT'S SETTLED.

WE GOTTA SETTLE OLD SCORES AND CLEAN THE SLATES.

YOU KNOW THAT'S HOW THINGS WORK IN OUR WORLD.

...WELL I SUPPOSE SO...

...DON'T LET THAT NASTY WOMAN DEFEAT YOU, ROBERTA.

I KNOW THAT YOU'RE STRONG WHERE IT COUNTS!

YOUNG MASTER ...?

KRAK

KPOP

FINE BY ME.

BUT NO WEAPONS ...

...THAT'LL SAVE US A TRIP TO THE MORGUE.

WE ARE AGREED, THEN.

LADIES, KNOCK YOURSELVES OUT. ♬

WHOOOM

HUH?

...IT SEEMS YOUR SHOE-LACES...

...HAVE COME UNTIED.

C'MON...

LET'S GET THIS STARTED.

HAHAHAHAHA

AH, TO BE YOUNG AGAIN...

SAH-WING, BATTER!

SUCKER PUNCH

THE KNOCK-OUT ARTWORK

WHAT'S YOUR WAGER?

TWO LARGE, ON REVY.

I GOT $2,500 ON ROBERTA.

HOW 'BOUT YOU, ROCK?

WHOA, WHOA, WHOA! WAIT A MINUTE!

C'MON, STOP THIS!! THIS IS INSANE!!

THUD

KBOK

GTHOK

PUNCH

CR U NCH

WHUD

HURRA

AAGH

THIS IS BARBARIC!! YOU'RE OUT YOUR MINDS!!

AAARGH

YOU CAN'T LET TWO GIRLS GO AT IT LIKE THIS?!

GGGH!

YOU CAN'T STAND TO WATCH THIS, RIGHT?

THEN GO AHEAD AND BREAK IT UP. WE WON'T STOP YOU.

...HUH?

OKAY...

GO STOP THEM.

TUG

SO...

HMM...

THUD THUMP

WHY DON'T YOU WATCH THE SUNRISE TOGETHER AND PRAISE EACH OTHER'S ABILITIES OR...

C'MON, BOTH OF YOU... DON'T YOU THINK YOU'VE HAD ENOUGH?

THOK

GRUNCH

PISS OFF!

SAW THAT COMING.

HUURRRAA!

WHUD

O-OKAY...

SORRY!

Huff

Huff

Huff

Huff

Huff

W...

WHY...

...DON'T YOU...GO FIRST...

GIVE...

...UP ALREADY... FUCKING... FOUR-EYES.

HAH...

HAH...

B O O

OOF.

N K

URGH.

...IT'S A DRAW.

THU MP

OKAY...

...PLEASE FORGIVE... ME...

UH...

Y...YOUNG MASTER...

...ROBERTA ?!

DASH

YOU HAVE NOTHING TO BE ASHAMED OF.

DON'T TALK.

YOU WERE THE LAST ONE STANDING, ROBERTA.

ROBERTA, PLEASE, DON'T.

...LET ME... APOLOGIZE...

HERE, HOLD ON TO ME.

CAN YOU STAND UP?

I'M TAKING HER HOME WITH ME, *NO MATTER WHAT.*

ROBERTA'S *MY MAID.*

I CAN TAKE CARE OF HER MYSELF.

HEY THERE...

NEED A HAND KIDDO?

YES, SIR.

COMRADE SERGEANT...

AH, THE NEXT HEAD OF THE FAMILY DOES NOT DISAPPOINT. ♬

PLEASE, FOLLOW ME.

ROGER.

IF ANY REMAINING CARTEL MEMBERS INTERFERE, YOU MAY RETALIATE AS YOU SEE FIT.

SEE TO HER INJURIES, AND THEN ESCORT THEM TO THE AIRPORT.

WHY?

THEY'RE ONLY FOR SHOW, RIGHT? YOUR EYESIGHT IS PERFECT.

WHAT IS IT?

MY GLASSES... COULD YOU RECOVER THEM FOR ME...?

...YOUNG MASTER...

IF I MAY TROUBLE YOU WITH SOMETHING...

YES, BUT...

I NEED THOSE SO THAT I CAN BE...

...TRUE TO YOU, YOUNG MASTER.

SHE'S GONNA BE ALL HUNG-UP OVER THIS FOR A WHILE...

OH, JOY...

SPLA AASH

TWITCH TWITCH

C'MON!

TIME TO WAKE UP, REVY!

Black Lagoon Volume 1 - The End -

WHAT'S GOING ON?

BLACK LAGOON

~ The High School Episode ~

By Rei Hiroe

WAIT...IS THIS THE SETUP FOR THIS EPISODE?

WHY AM I WEARING A HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM?

IT'S NOT EVEN THE UNIFORM I ACTUALLY *DID* WEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL.

...THEN WHAT PARTS DO THE OTHERS PLAY?

UH-OH...I GOT A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS...

IF THIS IS MY ROLE...

THUMP THUMP THUMP

KABOOM

SLAUGHTERIN' FISH 'N FOWL WHEREVER HE GOES!!

HEDRA, BORN FROM HELLACIOUS SLUDGE!!

...

ZZSHING

HEY, HOW ARE YA!

DID'JA GET BREAK-FAST YET?

LOOKS LIKE AT LEAST SHE'S TURNED OUT NOR-...

OH SO LOVELY

YES, THERE IS A GOD!!

GOOD MORNING, MR. OKAJIMA...

ISN'T THIS WEATHER WONDER-FUL?

TWIRL

KCHAK

TWIRL

KCHAK

YOU LOOK WELL AS ALWAYS.

KLING

KLONNG

KLAAANG*

*JAPANESE SCHOOL BELL

PARK YOUR BUTTS BEFORE I COUNT TO THREE.

AW' RIGHT... ATTENDANCE TIME.

Yeah, baby!

WHAT PART IS HE GOING TO GET?

BUT WHAT ABOUT DUTCH?

THUT THUT THUT

HEEEY!

KLAKKLAK!!

WHAT'RE YOU LOOKING AT, OKAJIMA?

You wanna die?

C'mon..

N-NOTHING ...

I'M JUST GLAD IT'S- HOWEVER STRANGELY- APPROPRIATE.

G-GROUNDS-KEEPER?!

VU

M

WHICH ONE OF YA MISERABLE RUNTS...

...WRECKED MY PRECIOUS FLOWERBED!!

MEANWHILE MR. BENNY...

YOU SUCK! YOU ALL SUCK!!

ALL OF YOU!! GO SUCK A TAIL PIPE!!

TAP TAP TAP TAP

...SKIPPED SCHOOL AND SPENT THE ENTIRE DAY GLUED TO HIS PC, TROLLING INTERNET FORUMS.

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(° Д°)WTF?

Go home you jr. high school punk! morons like you

TAK

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shut up asshole. go hang urself

Anonymous@ : (

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If ur that stupid...do i have to prentend u fooled me

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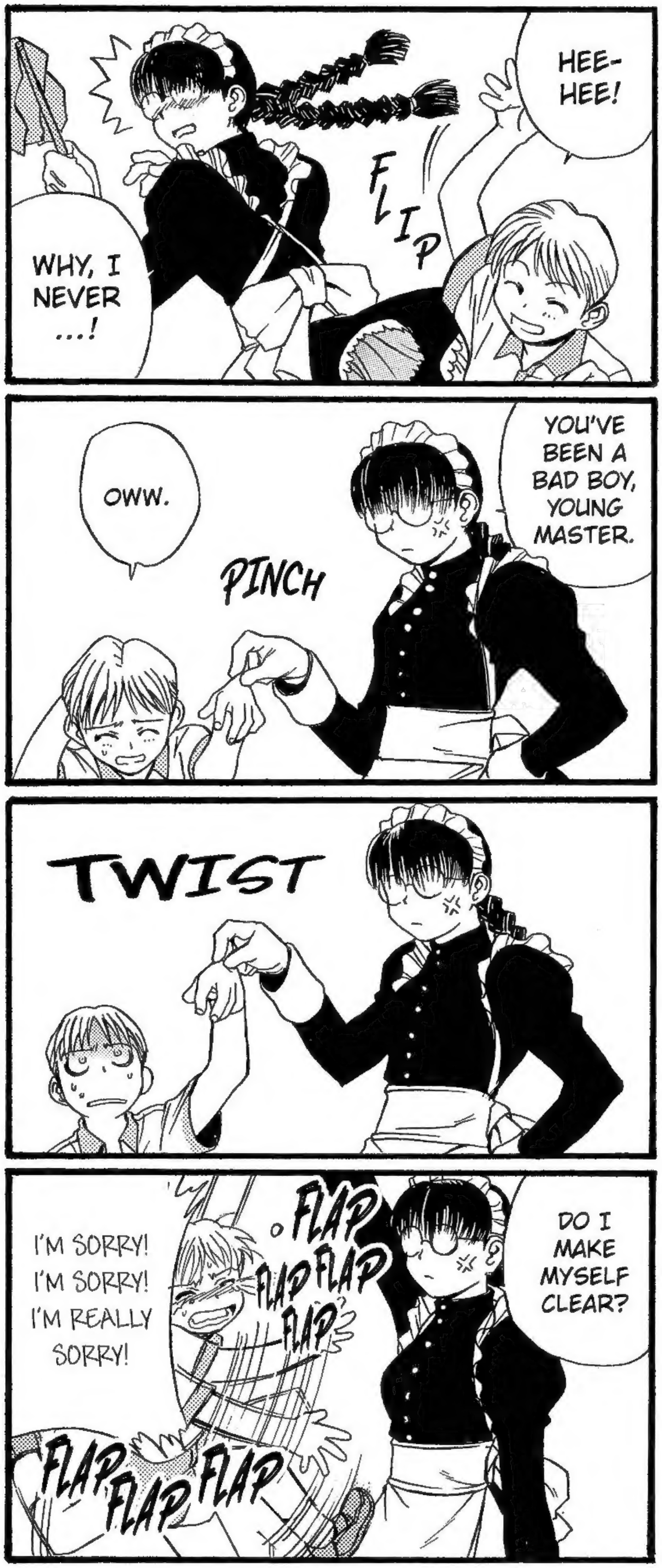
AND THAT'S ALL!

THE WONDROUSLY CAPTIVATING ROBERTA

BY REI HIROE, 3RD GRADE, MS. BASINGER.



CLOSING WORDS

BOY, IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I LAST GOT A COMPILATION OUT. AND IT LOOKS LIKE I'LL BE ABLE TO HAVE ANOTHER ONE PUBLISHED TOO. I'M JUST GLAD IT SEEMS THINGS'LL WORK OUT FOR A WHILE. I HAVE TO ADMIT I'M RUNNING AROUND BLIND TO SOME DEGREE, BUT HOPEFULLY YOU'LL LIKE WHAT YOU SEE AND YOU'LL STICK WITH ME FOR A WHILE.

I'D LIKE TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE:

I'D LIKE TO THANK MY MAIN ASSISTANCE STAFFERS: B-RIVER, MR. ITAKO, AND KAERU KOGANEI.

MY CREW AND BRAINSTORMING FRIENDS: GRAND MASTER MO'CHII, J-SAIRŌ, B1H, AND REIJI SAITŌ.

COOPERATION REGARDING FOREIGN LANGUAGE ISSUES BY: TOSHIRO ISHIYAMA, YŌSUKE FROM SPAIN, AND DAN KANEMITSU.

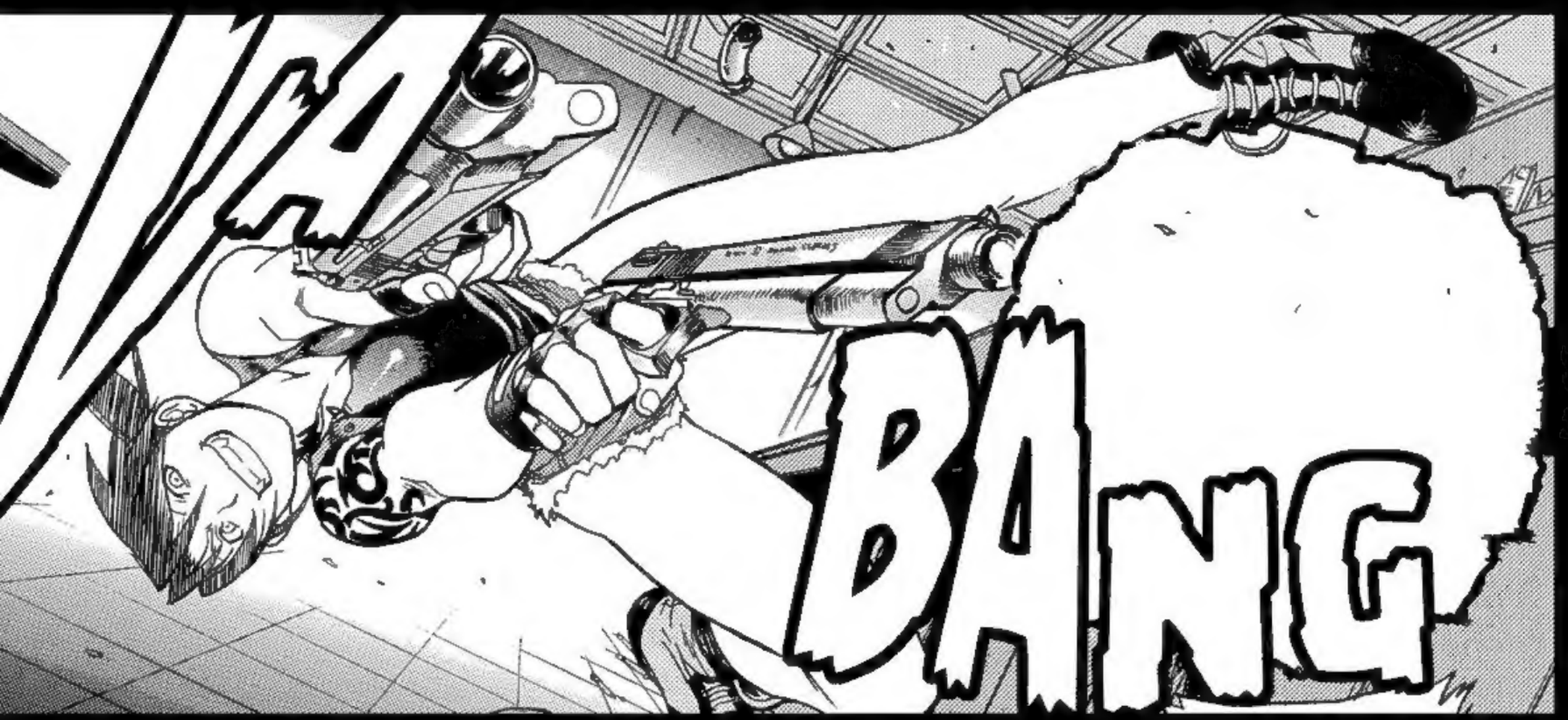
PLEASE STICK WITH ME IN THE FUTURE, OKAY? I'M BEGGING YOU. LET'S GO OUT AND DRINK AND STUFF.

I'D LIKE TO EXPRESS MY SPECIAL THANKS TO THE REGULARS THAT DROP BY THE BULLETIN BOARD ON MY WEB PAGE AND ALL THOSE KIND PEOPLE WHO SENT IN THE QUESTIONNAIRES INCLUDED IN THE MAGAZINE I WRITE FOR.

ALSO, TO MY COMRADE IN ARMS, WAR BUDDIES OF STEEL-THE SHINJUKU WAKŌ GANG, ESPECIALLY ENZU AND GASHIGE.

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL IN VOLUME 2.

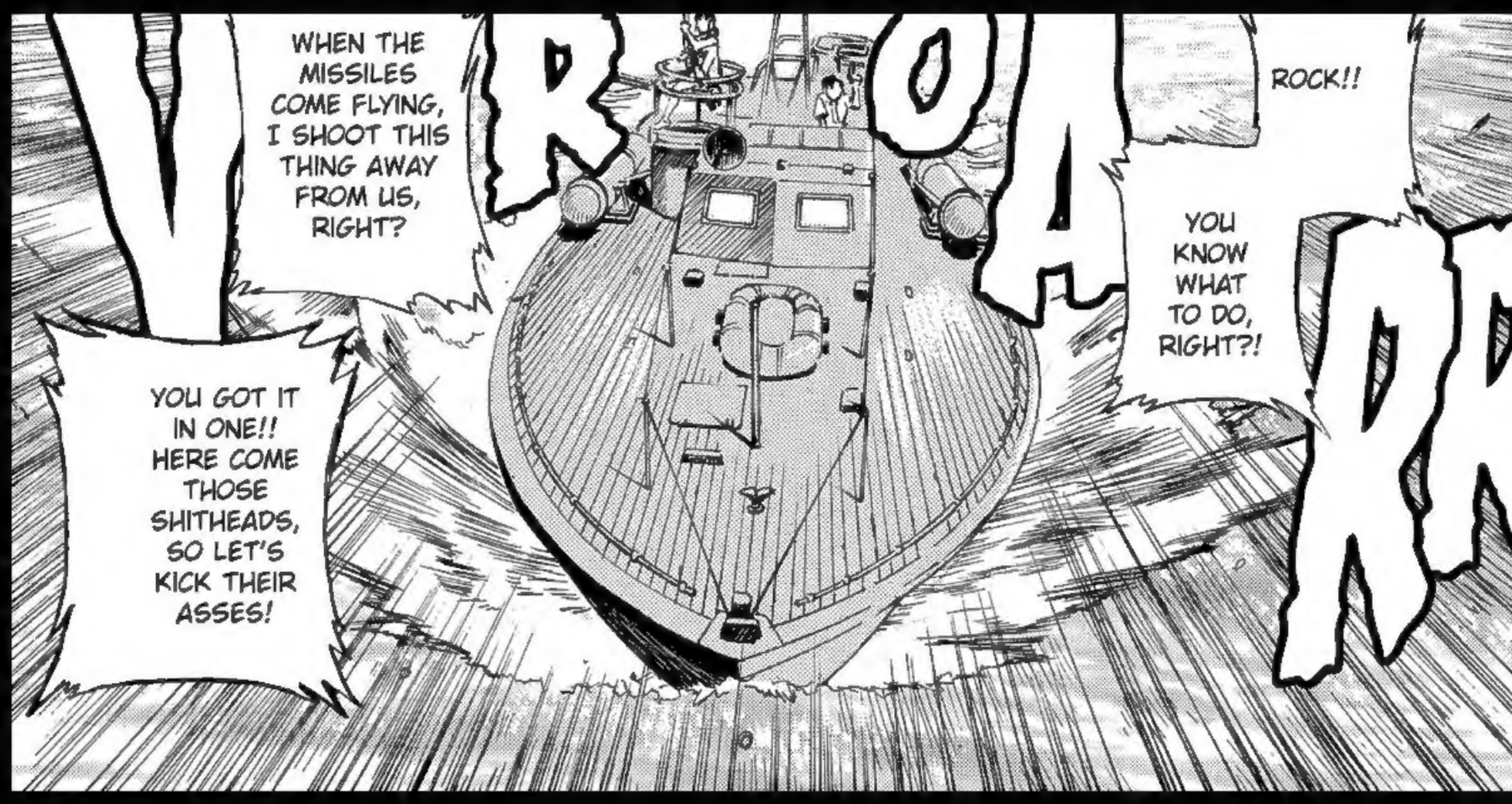
--REI HIROE,
NOVEMBER 15TH, 2002.



Revy "Two Hand"

Revy's two-gun style echoes the on-screen combat choreography (sometimes called the "bullet ballet") made famous in movies by John Woo. In real life, using two guns like this is highly impractical since it is virtually impossible to actually hit anything, especially if the target and the shooter are moving, and it's also difficult to reload. Of course, it looks totally *badass* on film, and in Rei Hiroe's stunning action-manga *Black Lagoon*!

Regarding the spelling of Revy's *nom de guerre*, it is indeed "Two Hand," not "Two Hands." This is a reference to a character from the hard-boiled crime novel *Run*, by Douglas E. Winter (which is a great read by the way).


WHEN THE MISSILES COME FLYING, I SHOOT THIS THING AWAY FROM US, RIGHT?
YOU GOT IT IN ONE!! HERE COME THOSE SHITHEADS, SO LET'S KICK THEIR ASSES!
ROCK!!
YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO, RIGHT?!

The Black Lagoon

The *Black Lagoon* is a modified 80-foot Elco PT boat. First built for service in the U.S. Navy in World War II, the Elco PT boats were powered by three 1500 horsepower Packard Marine engines and could reach speeds of nearly 50 knots. PT boats were considered expendable (along with their crews) when used to attack more powerful warships. During WWII, they often served as couriers, scouts, and as transport for special reconnaissance teams inserted behind enemy lines. President John F. Kennedy was the skipper of one of these souped-up cabin cruisers, the famous PT-109.

In addition to the four torpedoes carried in tubes on deck, PT boats were armed with machine guns, anti-aircraft guns and depth charges—basically the crews bolted on whatever extra weaponry they could scrounge up! Dutch has removed all the original armament except the torpedoes (which get used very effectively and imaginatively in volume 1), but who needs all that when you've got Revy?!